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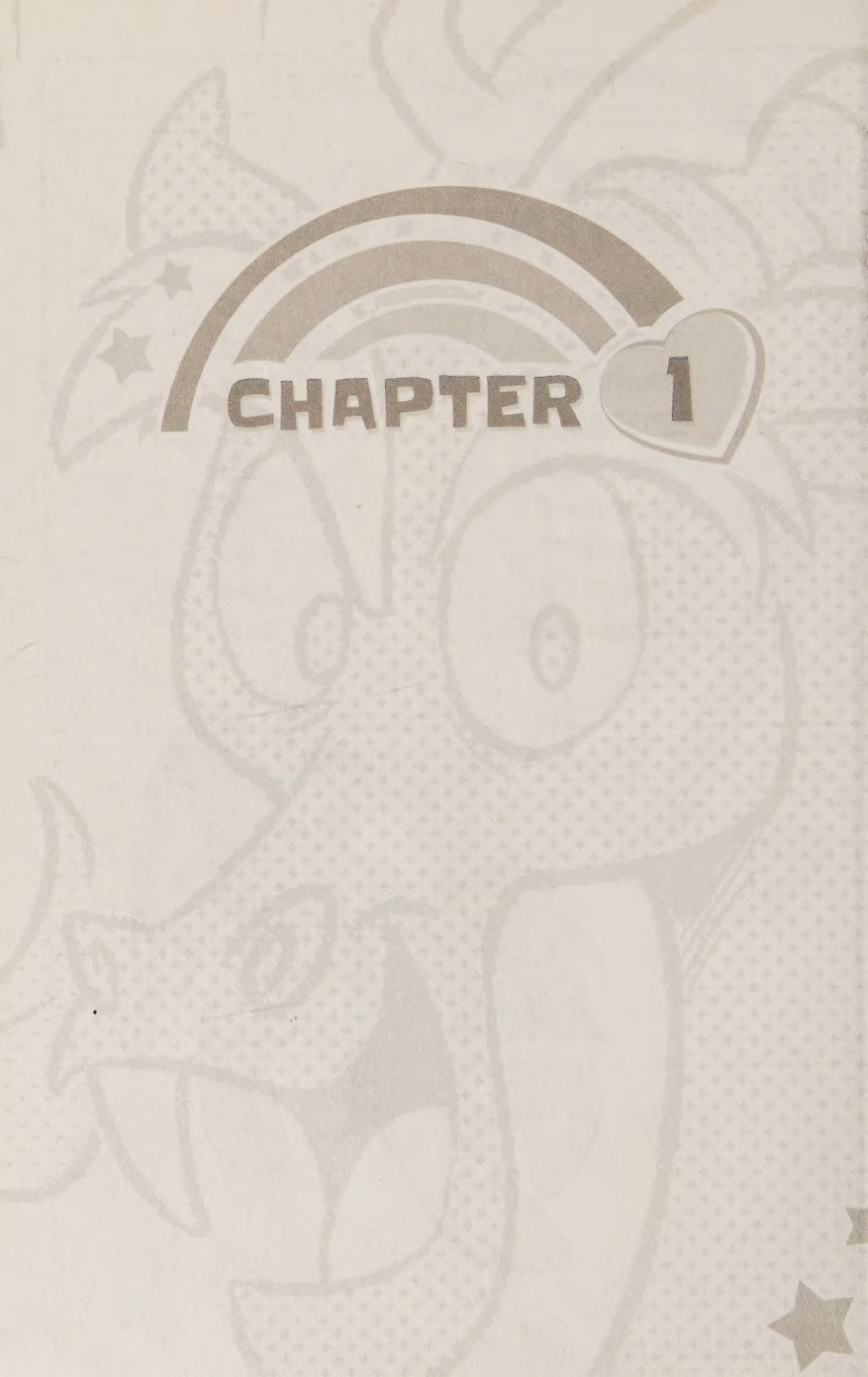
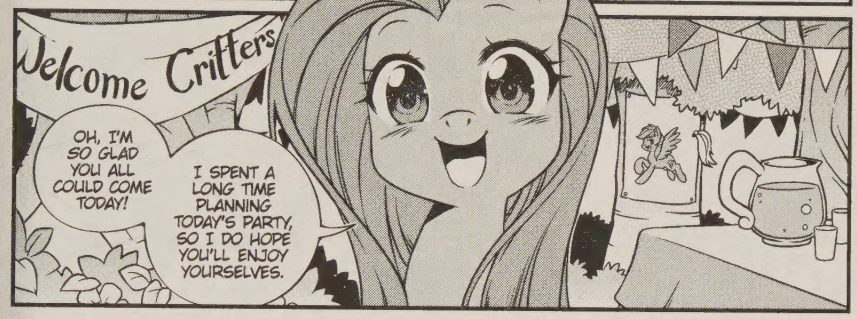
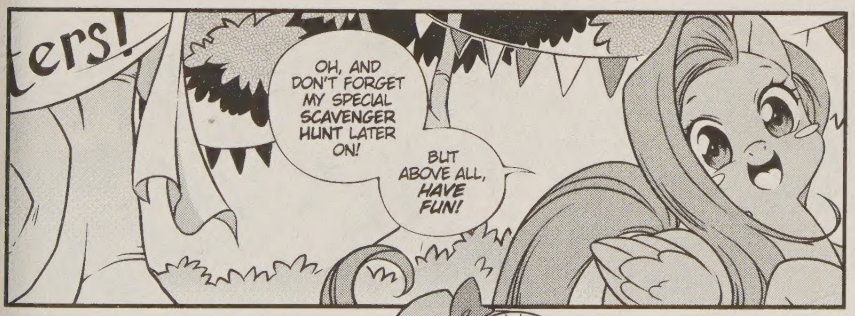
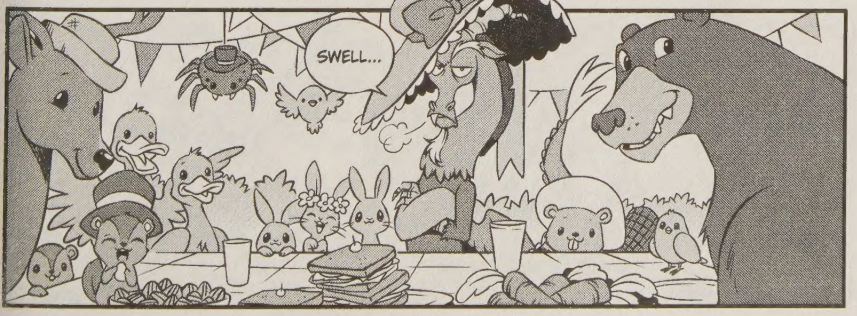

CHAPTER 1

Hat's All, Folks!


Welcome Critters
OH, I'M SO GLAD YOU ALL COULD COME TODAY!
I SPENT A LONG TIME PLANNING TODAY'S PARTY, SO I DO HOPE YOU'LL ENJOY YOURSELVES.

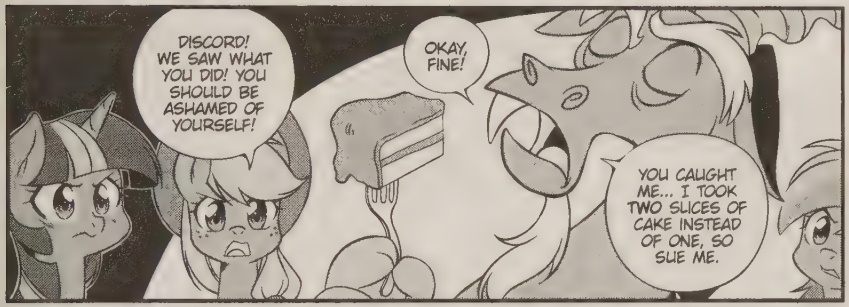


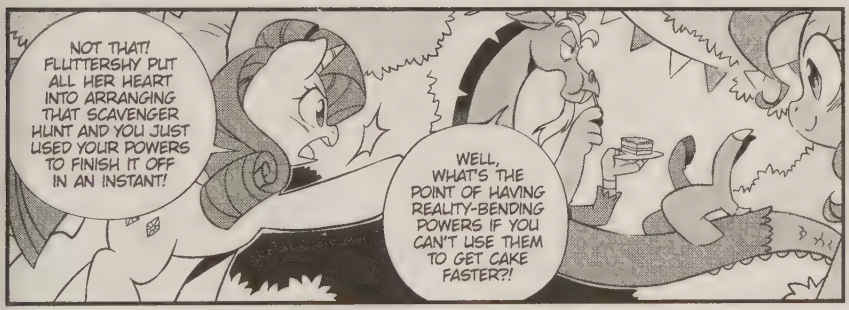


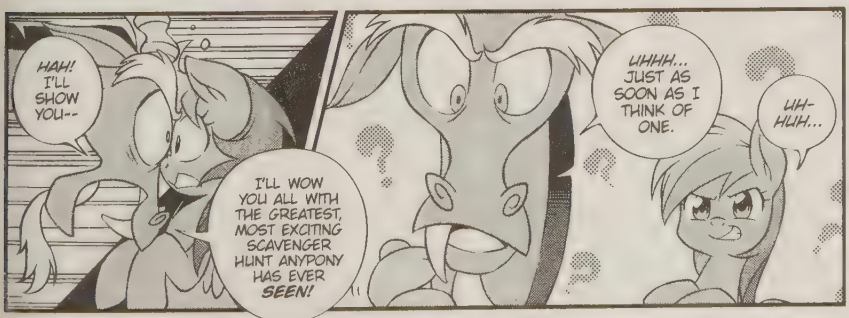
Done in a Snap

Later...
I HOPE YOU'RE ALL HAVING A GOOD TIME.
NOW, BEFORE WE MOVE ON TO THE CAKE, EVERYPONY GRAB A LIST FOR THE BIG SCAVENGER HUNT.
I PUT A LOT OF THOUGHT INTO THIS, AND IT'S FILLED WITH FUN ITEMS THAT CAN BE FOUND NEARBY, SO I HOPE YOU'LL ENJOY--
...
SNAP
WHUMP
!
O-OH... I GUESS THAT'S OKAY, TOO...
THERE. NOW WHERE'S THAT CAKE?

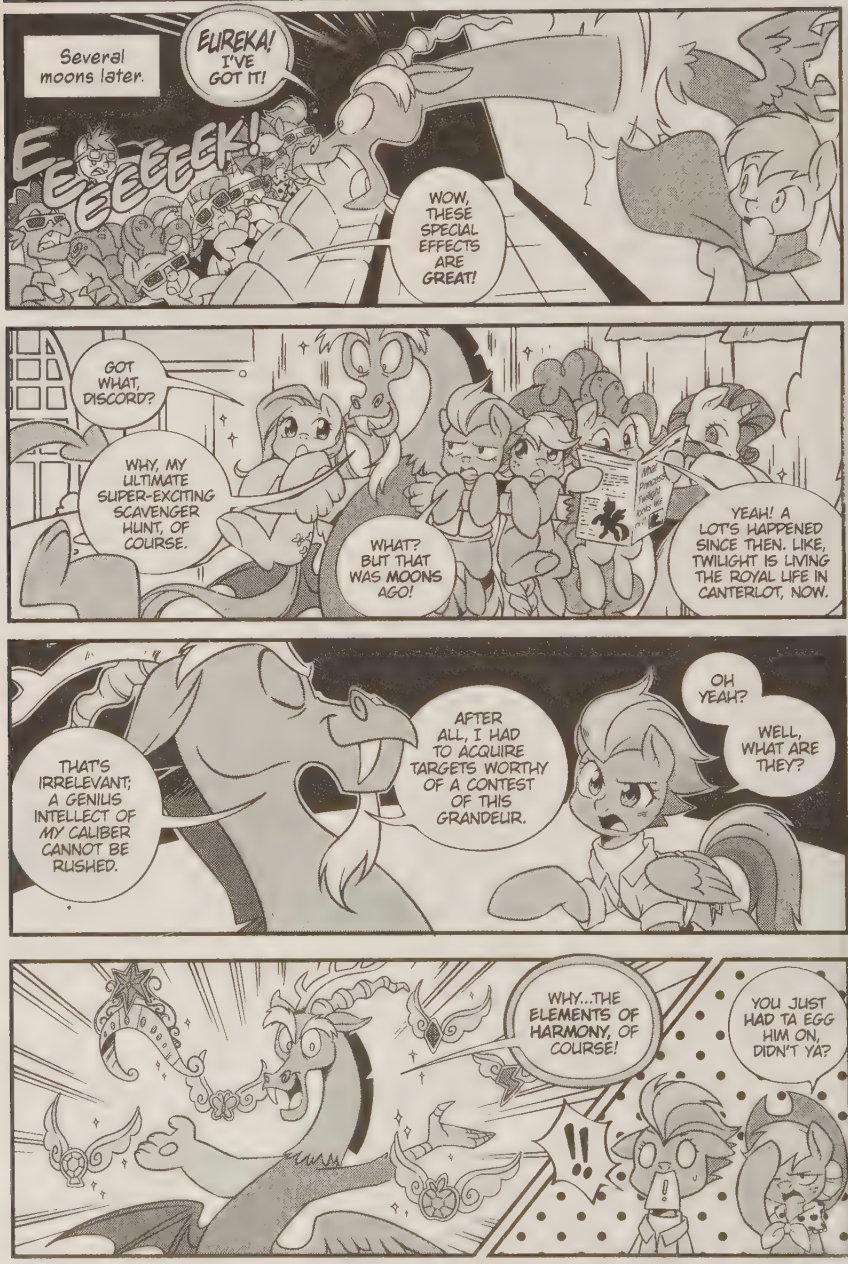
Is it Me or Did it Get Scold in Here?


DISCORD! WE SAW WHAT YOU DID! YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF YOURSELF!
OKAY, FINE!
YOU CAUGHT ME... I TOOK TWO SLICES OF CAKE INSTEAD OF ONE, SO SUE ME.

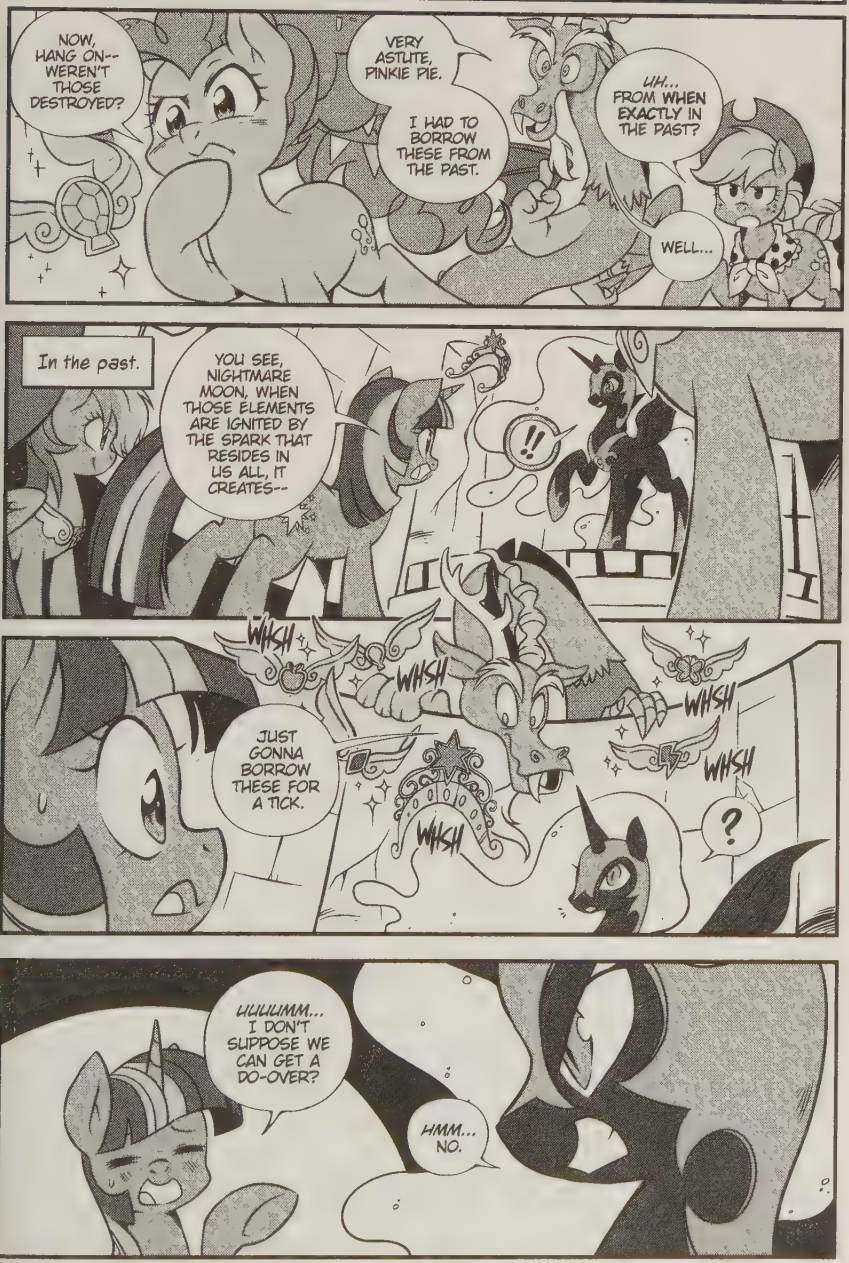

NOT THAT! FLUTTERSHY PUT ALL HER HEART INTO ARRANGING THAT SCAVENGER HUNT AND YOU JUST USED YOUR POWERS TO FINISH IT OFF IN AN INSTANT!
WELL, WHAT'S THE POINT OF HAVING REALITY-BENDING POWERS IF YOU CAN'T USE THEM TO GET CAKE FASTER?!


HAH! I'LL SHOW YOU--
I'LL WOW YOU ALL WITH THE GREATEST, MOST EXCITING SCAVENGER HUNT ANYPONY HAS EVER ***SEEN!***
UHHH... JUST AS SOON AS I THINK OF ONE.
UH-HUH...

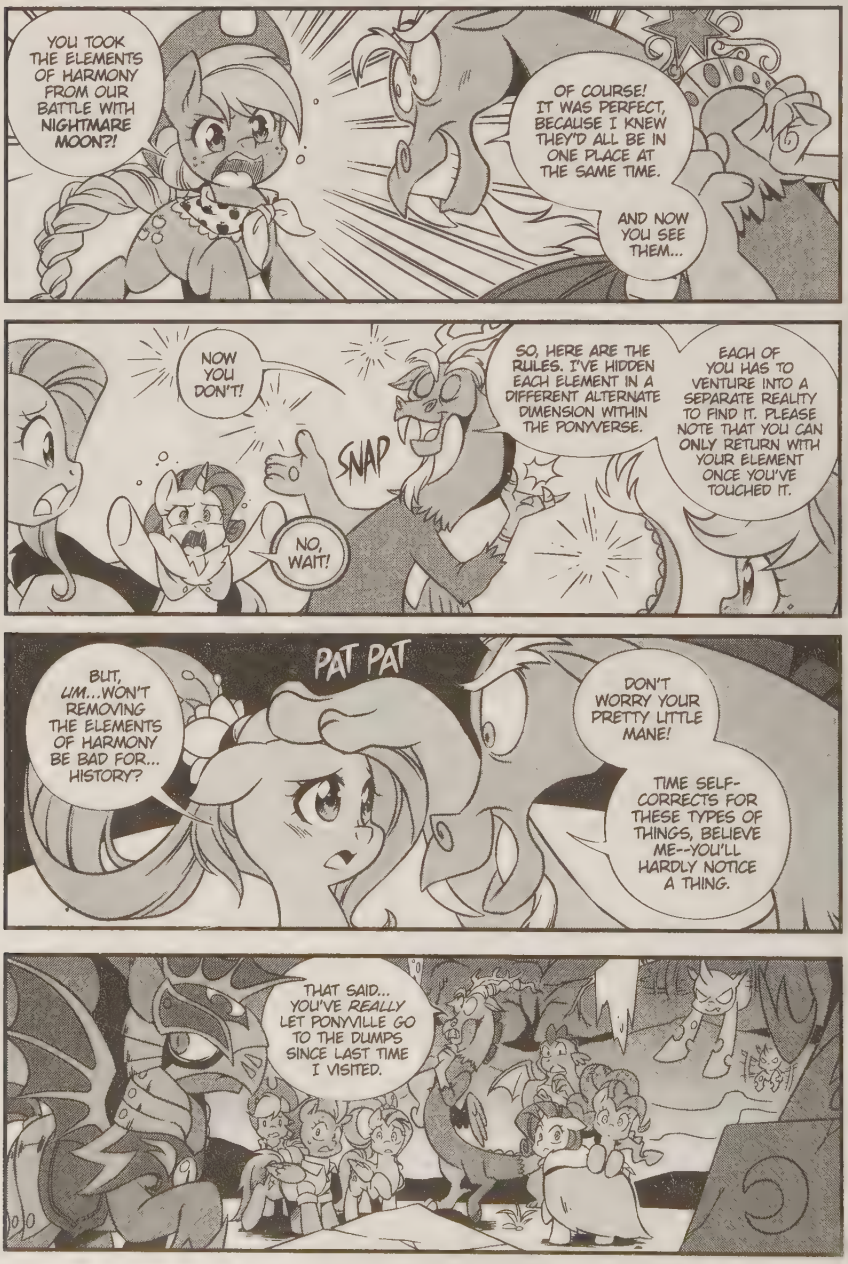
Cineperplexing


Several moons later.
EUREKA! I'VE GOT IT!
EEEEEEEK!
WOW, THESE SPECIAL EFFECTS ARE GREAT!
GOT WHAT, DISCORD?
WHY, MY ULTIMATE SUPER-EXCITING SCAVENGER HUNT, OF COURSE.
WHAT? BUT THAT WAS MOONS AGO!
YEAH! A LOT'S HAPPENED SINCE THEN. LIKE, TWILIGHT IS LIVING THE ROYAL LIFE IN CANTERLOT, NOW.
THAT'S IRRELEVANT; A GENIUS INTELLECT OF MY CALIBER CANNOT BE RUSHED.
AFTER ALL, I HAD TO ACQUIRE TARGETS WORTHY OF A CONTEST OF THIS GRANDEUR.
OH YEAH?
WELL, WHAT ARE THEY?
WHY...THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY, OF COURSE!
!!
YOU JUST HAD TA EGG HIM ON, DIDN'T YA?

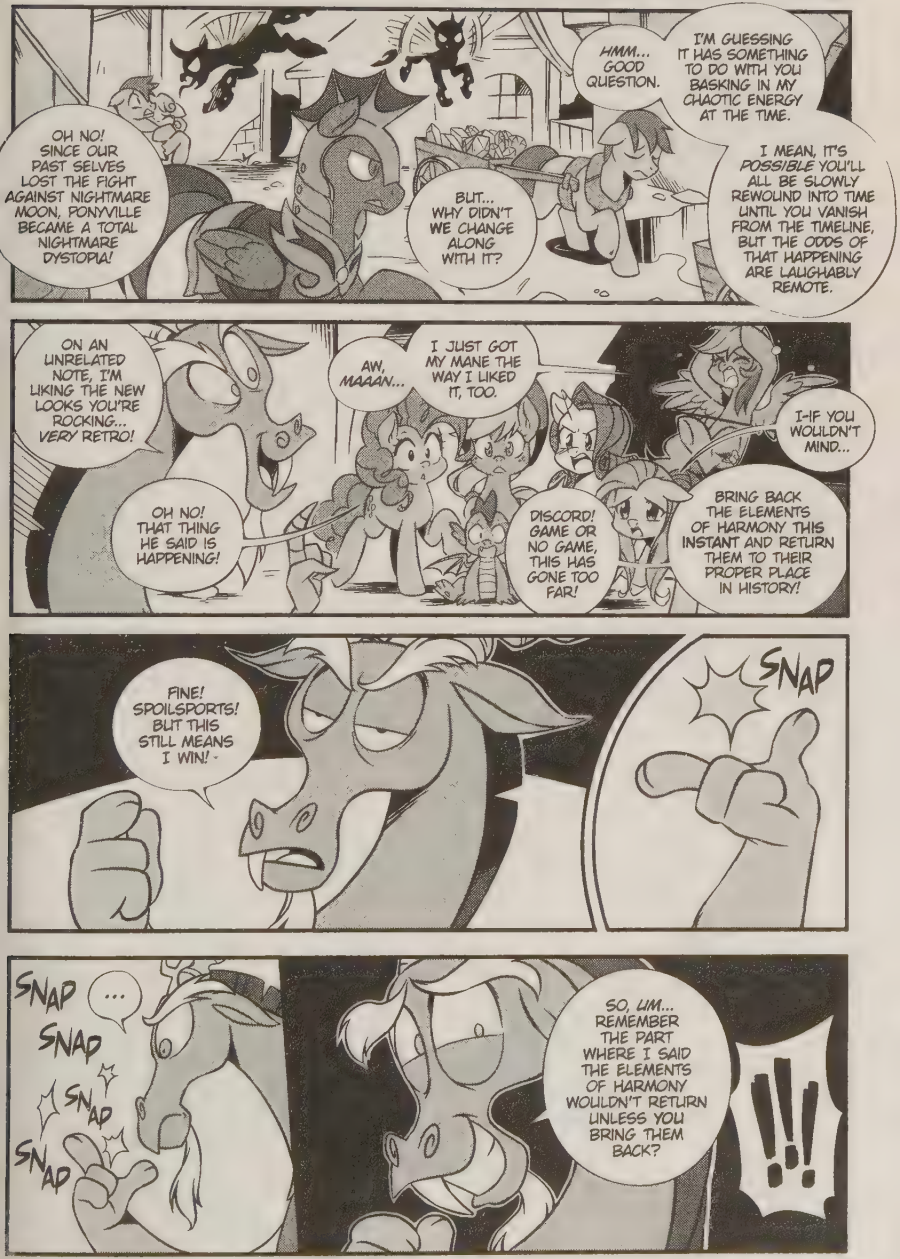
Ret-CONNED!


NOW, HANG ON-- WEREN'T THOSE DESTROYED?
VERY ASTUTE, PINKIE PIE.
I HAD TO BORROW THESE FROM THE PAST.
UH... FROM WHEN EXACTLY IN THE PAST?
WELL...
In the past.
YOU SEE, NIGHTMARE MOON, WHEN THOSE ELEMENTS ARE IGNITED BY THE SPARK THAT RESIDES IN US ALL, IT CREATES--
!!
WHSH
WHSH
WHSH
WHSH
WHSH
JUST GONNA BORROW THESE FOR A TICK.
?
UUUUMM... I DON'T SUPPOSE WE CAN GET A DO-OVER?
HMM... NO.

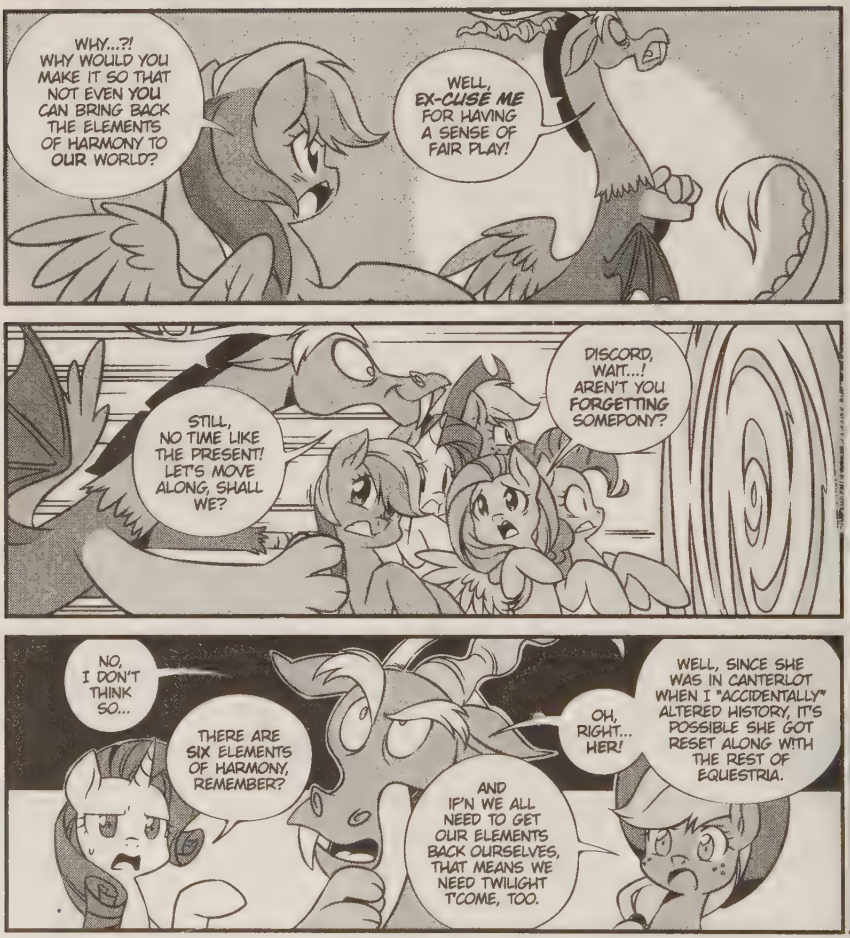
There Goes the Neighborhood


YOU TOOK THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY FROM OUR BATTLE WITH NIGHTMARE MOON?!
OF COURSE! IT WAS PERFECT, BECAUSE I KNEW THEY'D ALL BE IN ONE PLACE AT THE SAME TIME.
AND NOW YOU SEE THEM...
NOW YOU DON'T!
SNAP
NO, WAIT!
SO, HERE ARE THE RULES. I'VE HIDDEN EACH ELEMENT IN A DIFFERENT ALTERNATE DIMENSION WITHIN THE PONYVERSE.
EACH OF YOU HAS TO VENTURE INTO A SEPARATE REALITY TO FIND IT. PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU CAN ONLY RETURN WITH YOUR ELEMENT ONCE YOU'VE TOUCHED IT.
PAT PAT
BUT, UM...WON'T REMOVING THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY BE BAD FOR... HISTORY?
DON'T WORRY YOUR PRETTY LITTLE MANE!
TIME SELF-CORRECTS FOR THESE TYPES OF THINGS, BELIEVE ME--YOU'LL HARDLY NOTICE A THING.
THAT SAID... YOU'VE *REALLY* LET PONYVILLE GO TO THE DUMPS SINCE LAST TIME I VISITED.

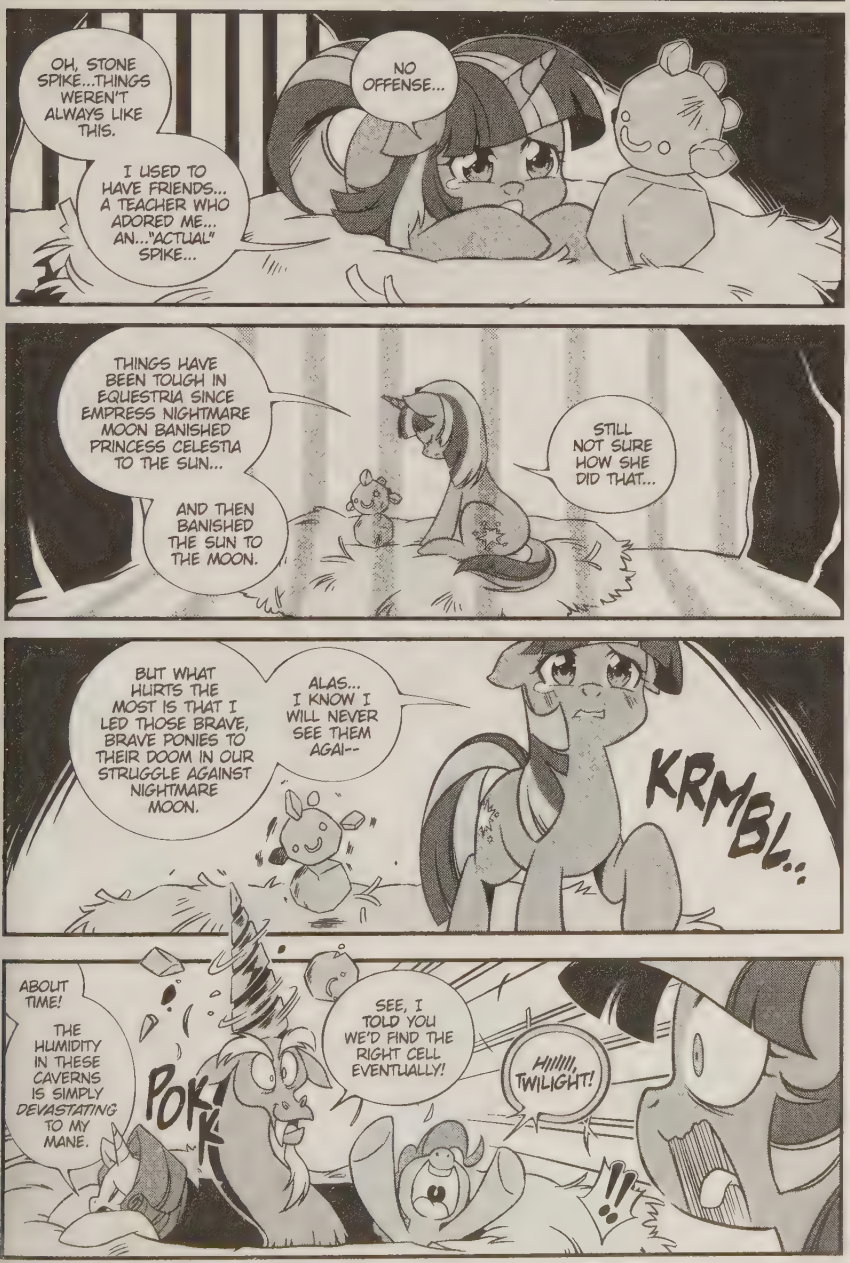
And Make it Snappy!


OH NO! SINCE OUR PAST SELVES LOST THE FIGHT AGAINST NIGHTMARE MOON, PONYVILLE BECAME A TOTAL NIGHTMARE DYSTOPIA!
BUT... WHY DIDN'T WE CHANGE ALONG WITH IT?
HMM... GOOD QUESTION.
I'M GUESSING IT HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH YOU BASKING IN MY CHAOTIC ENERGY AT THE TIME.
I MEAN, IT'S POSSIBLE YOU'LL ALL BE SLOWLY REWOUND INTO TIME UNTIL YOU VANISH FROM THE TIMELINE, BUT THE ODDS OF THAT HAPPENING ARE LAUGHABLY REMOTE.
ON AN UNRELATED NOTE, I'M LIKING THE NEW LOOKS YOU'RE ROCKING... VERY RETRO!
OH NO! THAT THING HE SAID IS HAPPENING!
AW, MAAAN...
I JUST GOT MY MANE THE WAY I LIKED IT, TOO.
DISCORD! GAME OR NO GAME, THIS HAS GONE TOO FAR!
I-IF YOU WOULDN'T MIND...
BRING BACK THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY THIS INSTANT AND RETURN THEM TO THEIR PROPER PLACE IN HISTORY!
FINE! SPOILSPORTS! BUT THIS STILL MEANS I WIN!
SNAP
SNAP
...
SNAP
SNAP
SNAP
SO, UM... REMEMBER THE PART WHERE I SAID THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY WOULDN'T RETURN UNLESS YOU BRING THEM BACK?
!!

Gruel and Unusual Punishment

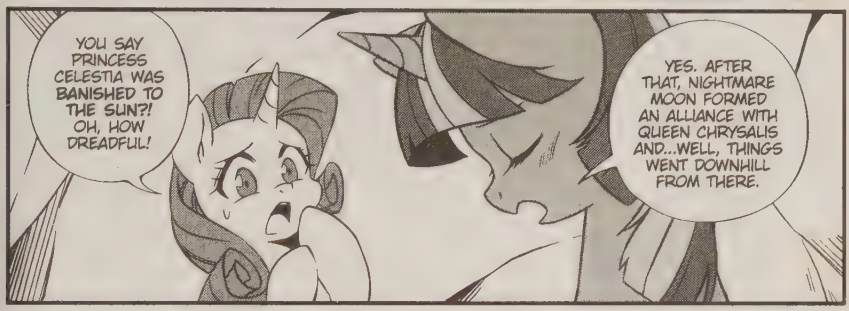

WHY...?! WHY WOULD YOU MAKE IT SO THAT NOT EVEN YOU CAN BRING BACK THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY TO OUR WORLD?
WELL, EX-CUSE ME FOR HAVING A SENSE OF FAIR PLAY!
STILL, NO TIME LIKE THE PRESENT! LET'S MOVE ALONG, SHALL WE?
DISCORD, WAIT...! AREN'T YOU FORGETTING SOMEPONY?
NO, I DON'T THINK SO...
THERE ARE SIX ELEMENTS OF HARMONY, REMEMBER?
AND IF'N WE ALL NEED TO GET OUR ELEMENTS BACK OURSELVES, THAT MEANS WE NEED TWILIGHT T'COME, TOO.
OH, RIGHT... HER!
WELL, SINCE SHE WAS IN CANTERLOT WHEN I "ACCIDENTALLY" ALTERED HISTORY, IT'S POSSIBLE SHE GOT RESET ALONG WITH THE REST OF EQUESTRIA.
BUT SHE'S A CLEVER PONY, SO I'M SURE SHE'S DOING FINE.
SO... HUNGRY...
CLANK
CLANK
IF YOU DON'T FILL YOUR CRYSTAL QUOTA FOR THE DAY THERE'LL BE NO GRUEL FOR YOU TONIGHT!

Diggin' Up Some Old Friends

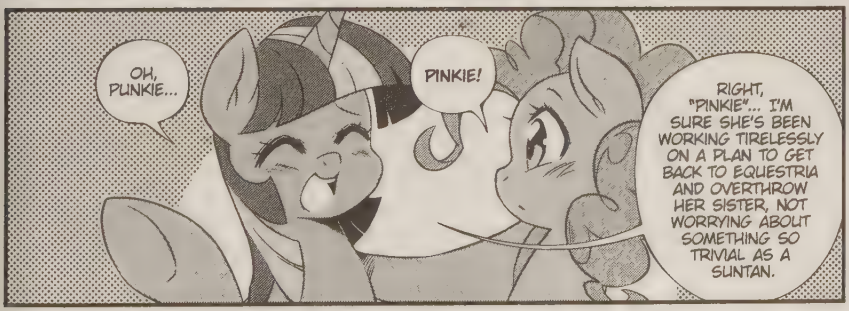

OH, STONE SPIKE...THINGS WEREN'T ALWAYS LIKE THIS.
I USED TO HAVE FRIENDS... A TEACHER WHO ADORED ME... AN..."ACTUAL" SPIKE...
NO OFFENSE...
THINGS HAVE BEEN TOUGH IN EQUESTRIA SINCE EMPRESS NIGHTMARE MOON BANISHED PRINCESS CELESTIA TO THE SUN...
AND THEN BANISHED THE SUN TO THE MOON.
STILL NOT SURE HOW SHE DID THAT...
BUT WHAT HURTS THE MOST IS THAT I LED THOSE BRAVE, BRAVE PONIES TO THEIR DOOM IN OUR STRUGGLE AGAINST NIGHTMARE MOON.
ALAS... I KNOW I WILL NEVER SEE THEM AGAI--
KRMBL..
ABOUT TIME!
THE HUMIDITY IN THESE CAVERNS IS SIMPLY DEVASTATING TO MY MANE.
POK!
SEE, I TOLD YOU WE'D FIND THE RIGHT CELL EVENTUALLY!
HI!!!!!, TWILIGHT!
!!

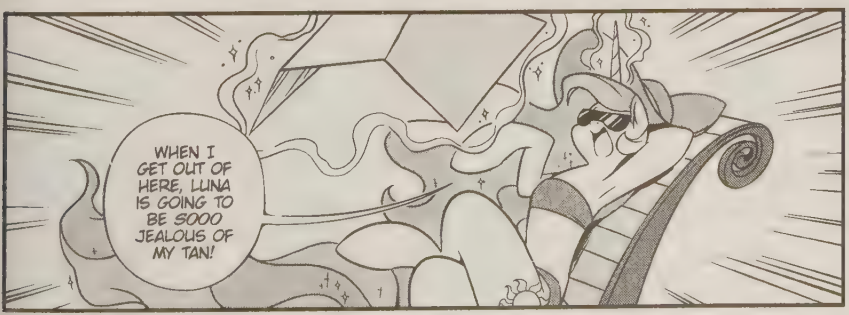
OMIGOSH! IT'S YOU! PUNKIE PIE, SCARCITY, RAINBOW CRASH, SUGAR SMACK, STUTTERSHY, AND REAL STONE SPIKE!
A-ACTUALLY, I-IT'S "FLUTTERSHY" ...?
B-BUT THAT'S OKAY, TOO...
WOW, TWILIGHT, LOOK HOW SHORT YOU ARE...AND YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE ANY WINGS.
OOF... TOUGH BREAK, TWILIGHT-- THEY WERE YOUR BEST FEATURE.
MAKES SENSE, I RECKON...
TWILIGHT MUSTA NEVER BECOME AN ALICORN SINCE NIGHTMARE MOON TOOK OVER.
HUH?
I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW GOOD IT IS TO SEE ALL OF YOU AGAIN!
I THOUGHT YOU WERE ALL DONE FOR AFTER THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY MYSTERIOUSLY VANISHED DURING OUR BATTLE WITH NIGHTMARE MOON.
AHEM... YES, WELL...
LET'S NOT DWELL TOO MUCH ON "WHO TOOK WHICH ELEMENTS" AND "WHO ALTERED WHAT TIMELINE."
BUT WHAT DO YOU SAY WE GET YOU OUT OF HERE, AND I PERSONALLY SEND YOU OFF TO GET THOSE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY BACK AND SET EVERYTHING RIGHT?!
WOW! THANKS, HELPFUL STRANGER!
IT SURE IS GOOD TO KNOW WE HAVE SOMEPONY SO RELIABLE TO HELP US ALL.
SMACK
CLOP
CLOP

On a Scale of One to Tan

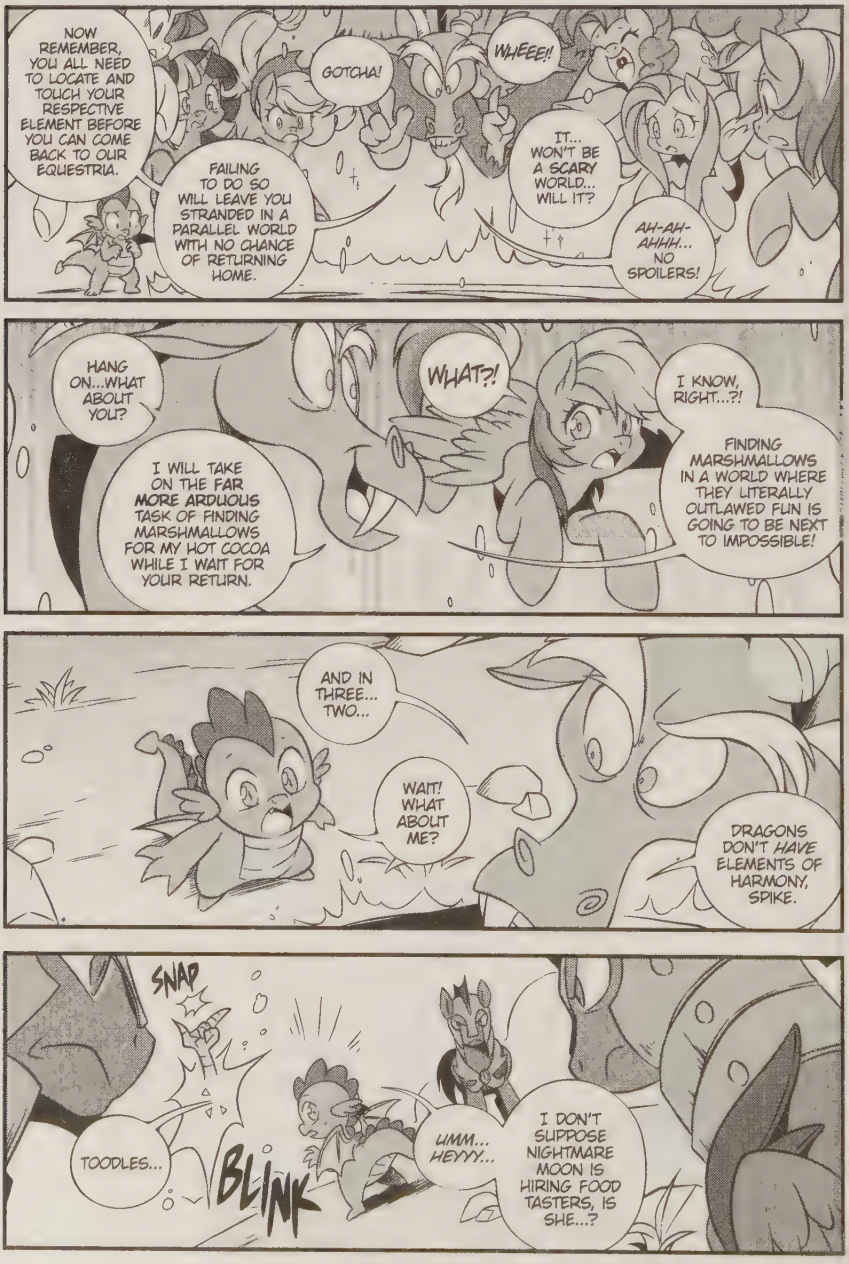

YOU SAY PRINCESS CELESTIA WAS BANISHED TO THE SUN?! OH, HOW DREADFUL!
YES. AFTER THAT, NIGHTMARE MOON FORMED AN ALLIANCE WITH QUEEN CHRYSALIS AND...WELL, THINGS WENT DOWNHILL FROM THERE.

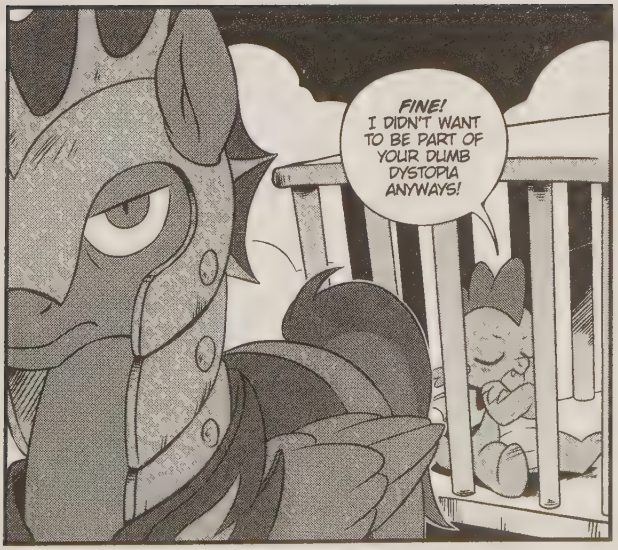
BUCK UP, TWILIGHT!
AS SOON AS DISCORD FIGURES OUT WHERE TO SEND US TGET OUR ELEMENTS OF HARMONY BACK, WE'LL FIX EQUESTRIA RIGHT ON UP!
PRINCESS CELESTIA'S GOING TO BE SOOO PROUD OF US WHEN WE RESCUE HER FROM HER EXILE!
I WONDER WHAT PRINCESS CELESTIA'S BEEN DOING ON THE SUN ALL THIS TIME...?
I BET SHE'S WORKING ON HER TAN.


OH, PUNKIE...
PINKIE!
RIGHT, "PINKIE"... I'M SURE SHE'S BEEN WORKING TIRELESSLY ON A PLAN TO GET BACK TO EQUESTRIA AND OVERTHROW HER SISTER, NOT WORRYING ABOUT SOMETHING SO TRIVIAL AS A SUNTAN.



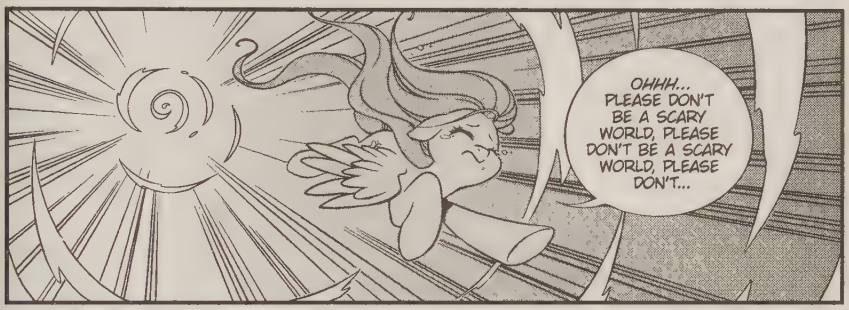
Sticky Situations

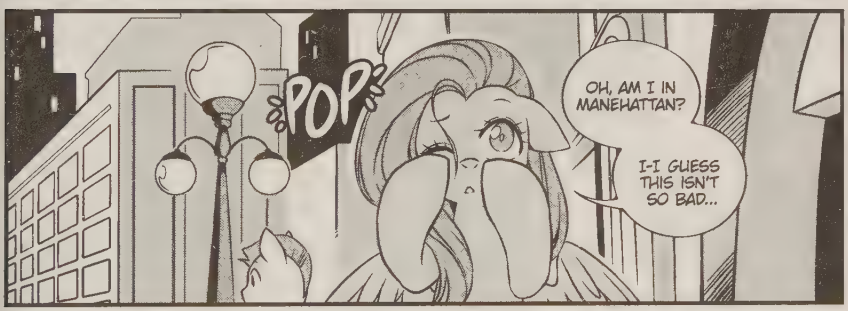

NOW REMEMBER, YOU ALL NEED TO LOCATE AND TOUCH YOUR RESPECTIVE ELEMENT BEFORE YOU CAN COME BACK TO OUR EQUESTRIA.
FAILING TO DO SO WILL LEAVE YOU STRANDED IN A PARALLEL WORLD WITH NO CHANCE OF RETURNING HOME.
GOTCHA!
WHEEE!
IT... WON'T BE A SCARY WORLD... WILL IT?
AH-AH-AHHH... NO SPOILERS!
HANG ON...WHAT ABOUT YOU?
I WILL TAKE ON THE FAR MORE ARDUOUS TASK OF FINDING MARSHMALLOWS FOR MY HOT COCOA WHILE I WAIT FOR YOUR RETURN.
WHAT?!
I KNOW, RIGHT...?!
FINDING MARSHMALLOWS IN A WORLD WHERE THEY LITERALLY OUTLAWED FUN IS GOING TO BE NEXT TO IMPOSSIBLE!
AND IN THREE... TWO...
WAIT! WHAT ABOUT ME?
DRAGONS DON'T *HAVE* ELEMENTS OF HARMONY, SPIKE.
SNAP
TOODLES...
BLINK
UMM... HEYYY...
I DON'T SUPPOSE NIGHTMARE MOON IS HIRING FOOD TASTERS, IS SHE...?

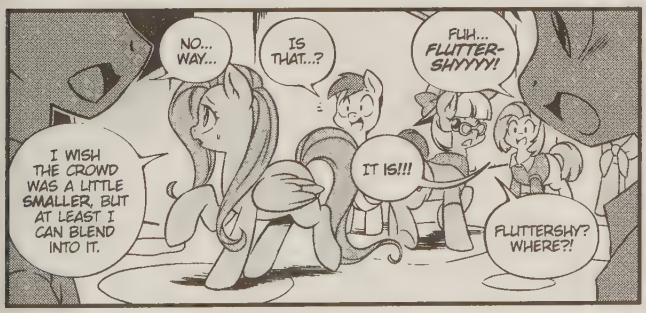

FINE!
I DIDN'T WANT TO BE PART OF YOUR DUMB DYSTOPIA ANYWAYS!

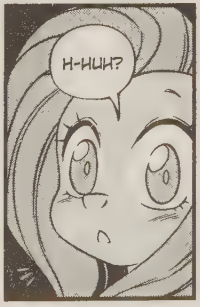
CHAPTER 2

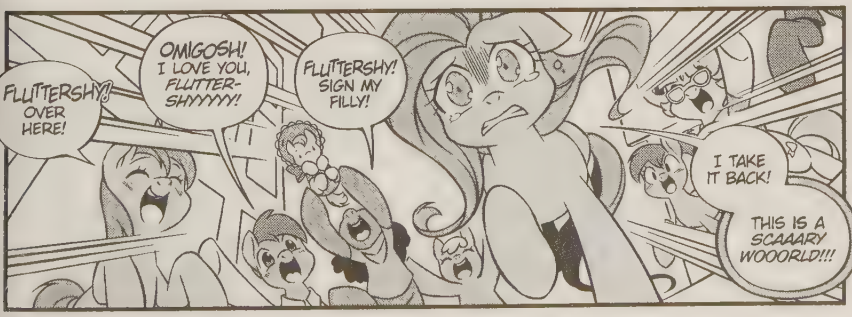
Maiden in Manehattan



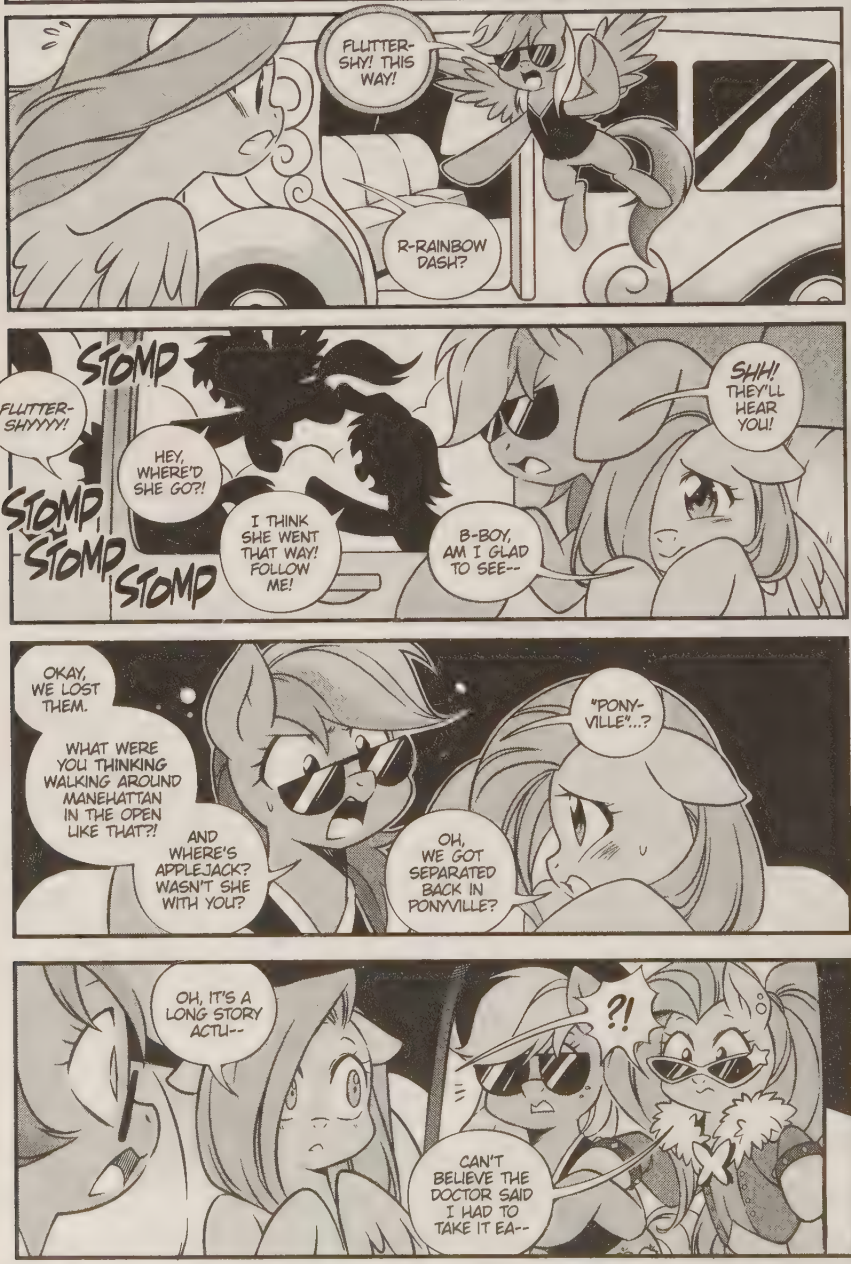


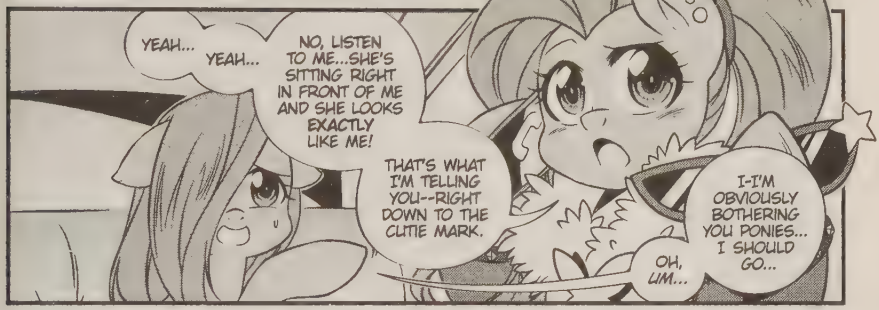

I WISH THE CROWD WAS A LITTLE SMALLER, BUT AT LEAST I CAN BLEND INTO IT.
NO... WAY...
IS THAT...?
FUH... FLUTTER-SHYYYY!
IT IS!!!
FLUTTERSHY? WHERE?!

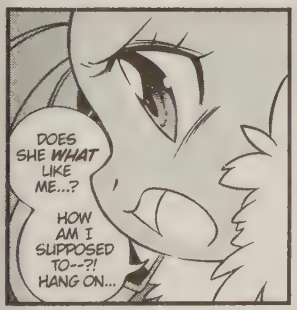


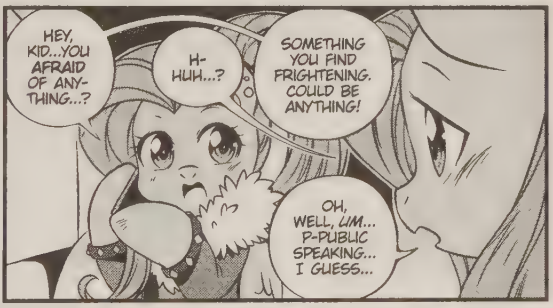

FLUTTERSHY! OVER HERE!
OMIGOSH! I LOVE YOU, FLUTTER-SHYYYYY!
FLUTTERSHY! SIGN MY FILLY!
I TAKE IT BACK!
THIS IS A SCAAARY WOOORLD!!!

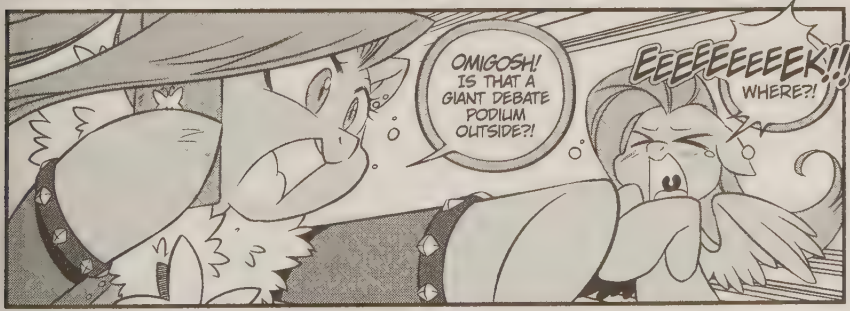
Double Trouble


FLUTTER-SHY! THIS WAY!
R-RAINBOW DASH?
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
FLUTTER-SHYYYY!
HEY, WHERE'D SHE GO?!
I THINK SHE WENT THAT WAY! FOLLOW ME!
B-BOY, AM I GLAD TO SEE--
SHH! THEY'LL HEAR YOU!
OKAY, WE LOST THEM.
WHAT WERE YOU THINKING WALKING AROUND MANEHATTAN IN THE OPEN LIKE THAT?!
AND WHERE'S APPLEJACK? WASN'T SHE WITH YOU?
OH, WE GOT SEPARATED BACK IN PONYVILLE?
"PONY-VILLE"...?
OH, IT'S A LONG STORY ACTU--
?!
CAN'T BELIEVE THE DOCTOR SAID I HAD TO TAKE IT EA--


YEAH...
YEAH...
NO, LISTEN TO ME...SHE'S SITTING RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME AND SHE LOOKS EXACTLY LIKE ME!
THAT'S WHAT I'M TELLING YOU--RIGHT DOWN TO THE CUTIE MARK.
I-I'M OBVIOUSLY BOTHERING YOU PONIES... I SHOULD GO...
OH, UM...

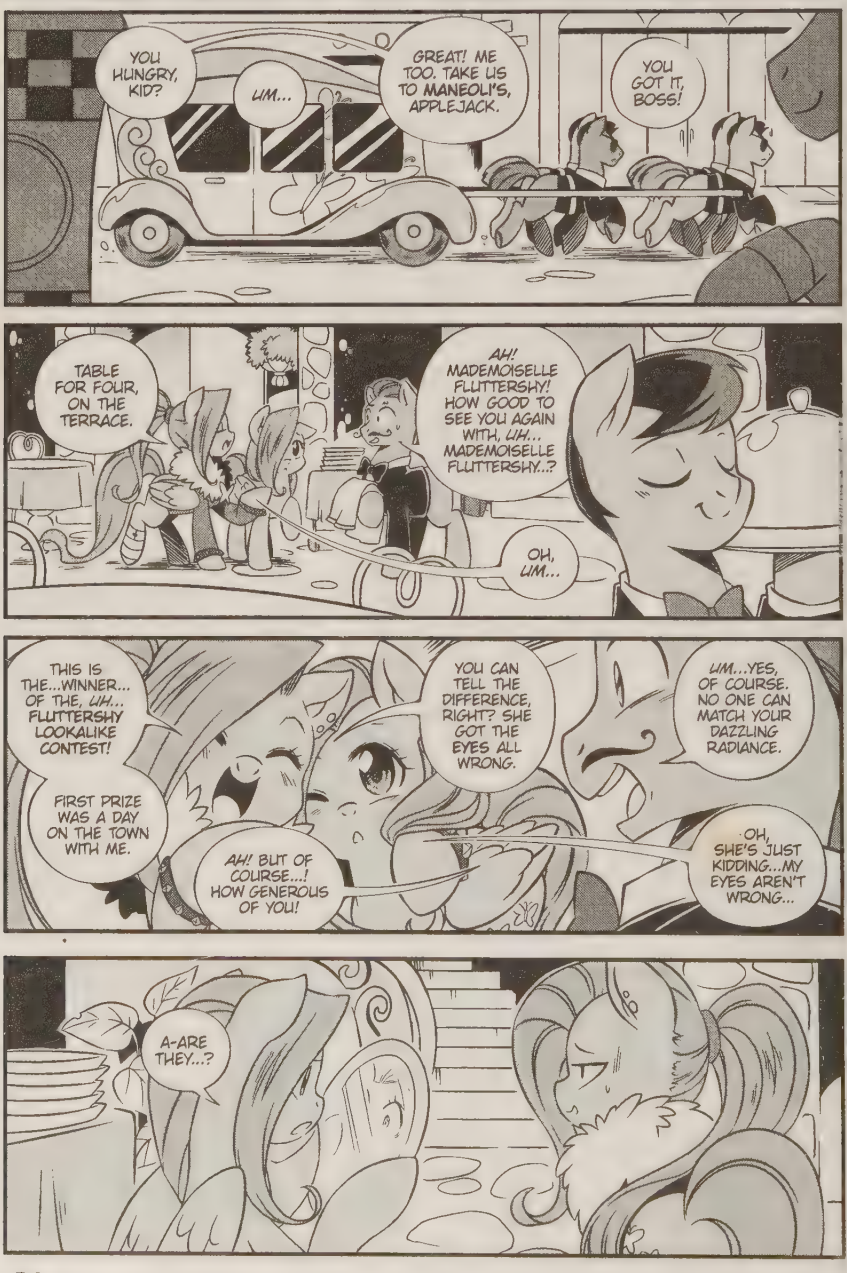

DOES SHE WHAT LIKE ME...?
HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO--?! HANG ON...


HEY, KID...YOU AFRAID OF ANY-THING...?
H-HUH...?
SOMETHING YOU FIND FRIGHTENING. COULD BE ANYTHING!
OH, WELL, UM... P-PUBLIC SPEAKING... I GUESS...

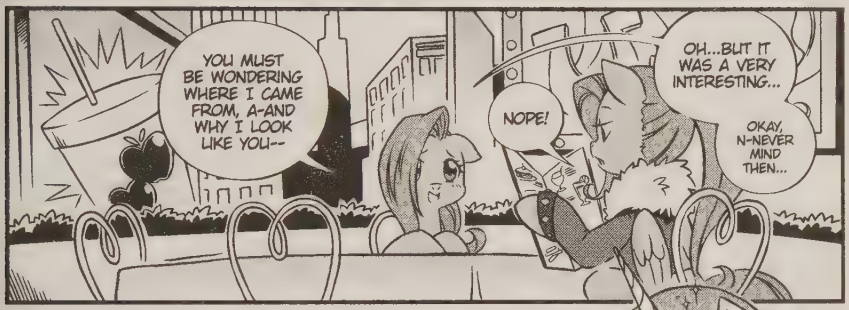

OMIGOSH! IS THAT A GIANT DEBATE PODIUM OUTSIDE?!
EEEEEEEEEEK!!!
WHERE?!

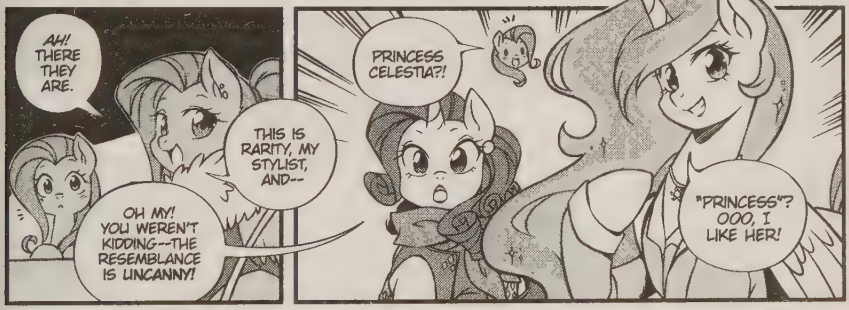
OH, YEAH--KID'S GOT A GREAT SET OF PIPES ON HER...
SHE'LL DO JUST FINE!
Meeep...

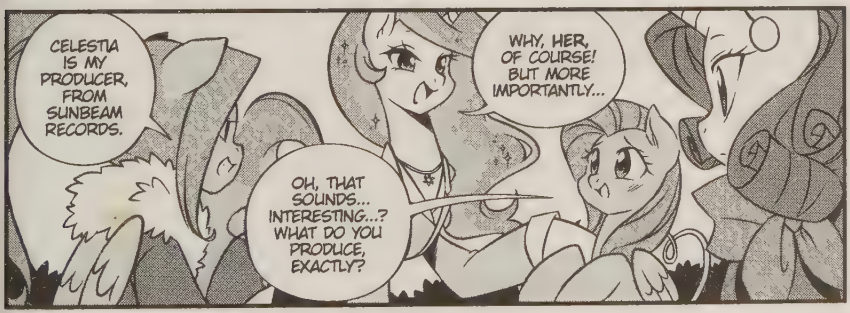
Eye See What You Did There

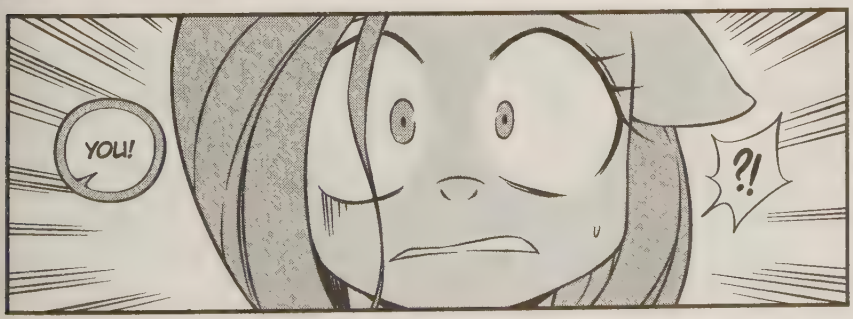

YOU HUNGRY, KID?
UM...
GREAT! ME TOO. TAKE US TO MANEOLI'S, APPLEJACK.
YOU GOT IT, BOSS!
TABLE FOR FOUR, ON THE TERRACE.
AH! MADEMOISELLE FLUTTERSHY! HOW GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN WITH, UH... MADEMOISELLE FLUTTERSHY..?
OH, UM...
THIS IS THE...WINNER... OF THE, UH... FLUTTERSHY LOOKALIKE CONTEST!
FIRST PRIZE WAS A DAY ON THE TOWN WITH ME.
AH! BUT OF COURSE...! HOW GENEROUS OF YOU!
YOU CAN TELL THE DIFFERENCE, RIGHT? SHE GOT THE EYES ALL WRONG.
UM...YES, OF COURSE. NO ONE CAN MATCH YOUR DAZZLING RADIANCE.
OH, SHE'S JUST KIDDING...MY EYES AREN'T WRONG...
A-ARE THEY...?

Getting Right to the Point




AH! THERE THEY ARE.
OH MY! YOU WEREN'T KIDDING--THE RESEMBLANCE IS UNCANNY!
THIS IS RARITY, MY STYLIST, AND--
PRINCESS CELESTIA?!
"PRINCESS"? OOO, I LIKE HER!


CELESTIA IS MY PRODUCER, FROM SUNBEAM RECORDS.
OH, THAT SOUNDS... INTERESTING...? WHAT DO YOU PRODUCE, EXACTLY?
WHY, HER, OF COURSE! BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY...



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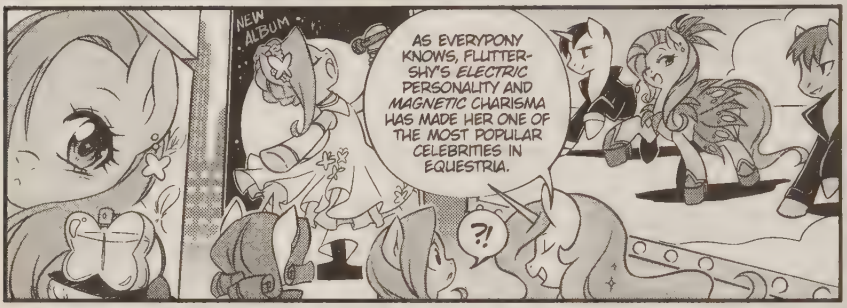
NEW ALBUM
AS EVERYPONY KNOWS, FLUTTERSHY'S *ELECTRIC* PERSONALITY AND *MAGNETIC* CHARISMA HAS MADE HER ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR CELEBRITIES IN EQUESTRIA.
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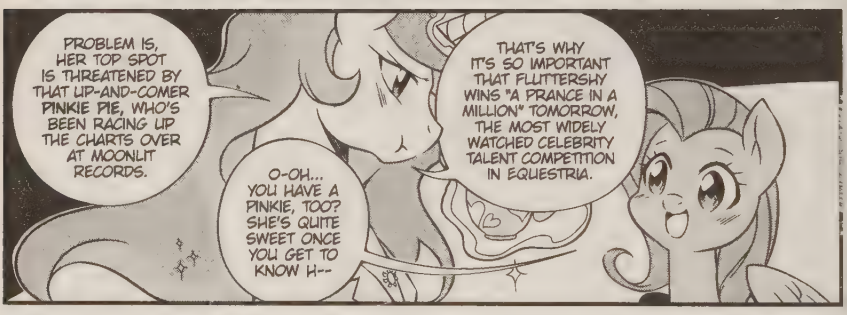
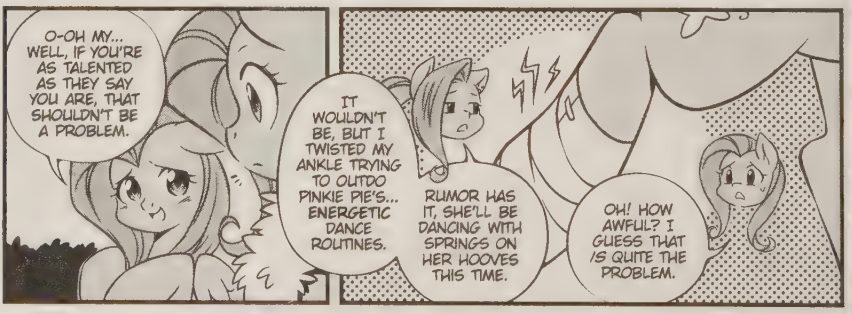
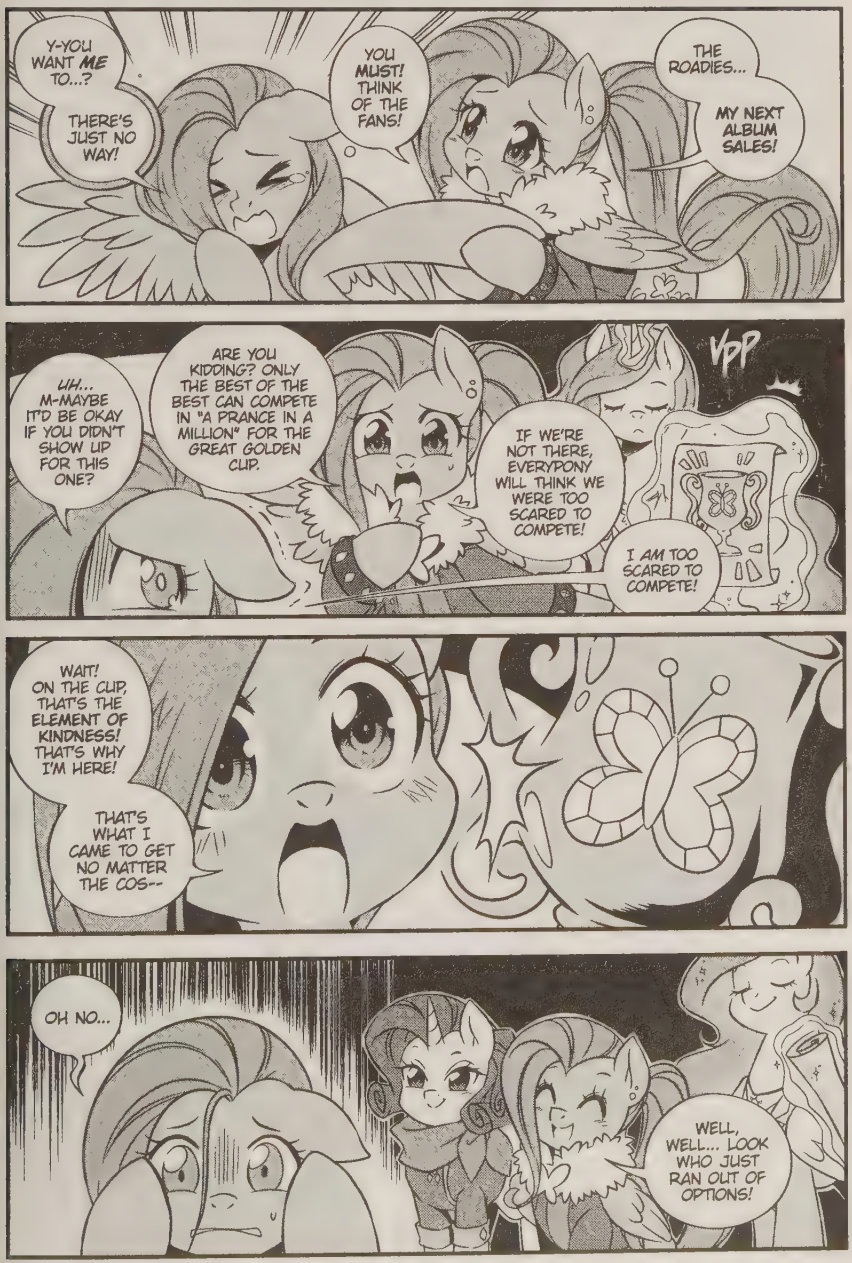
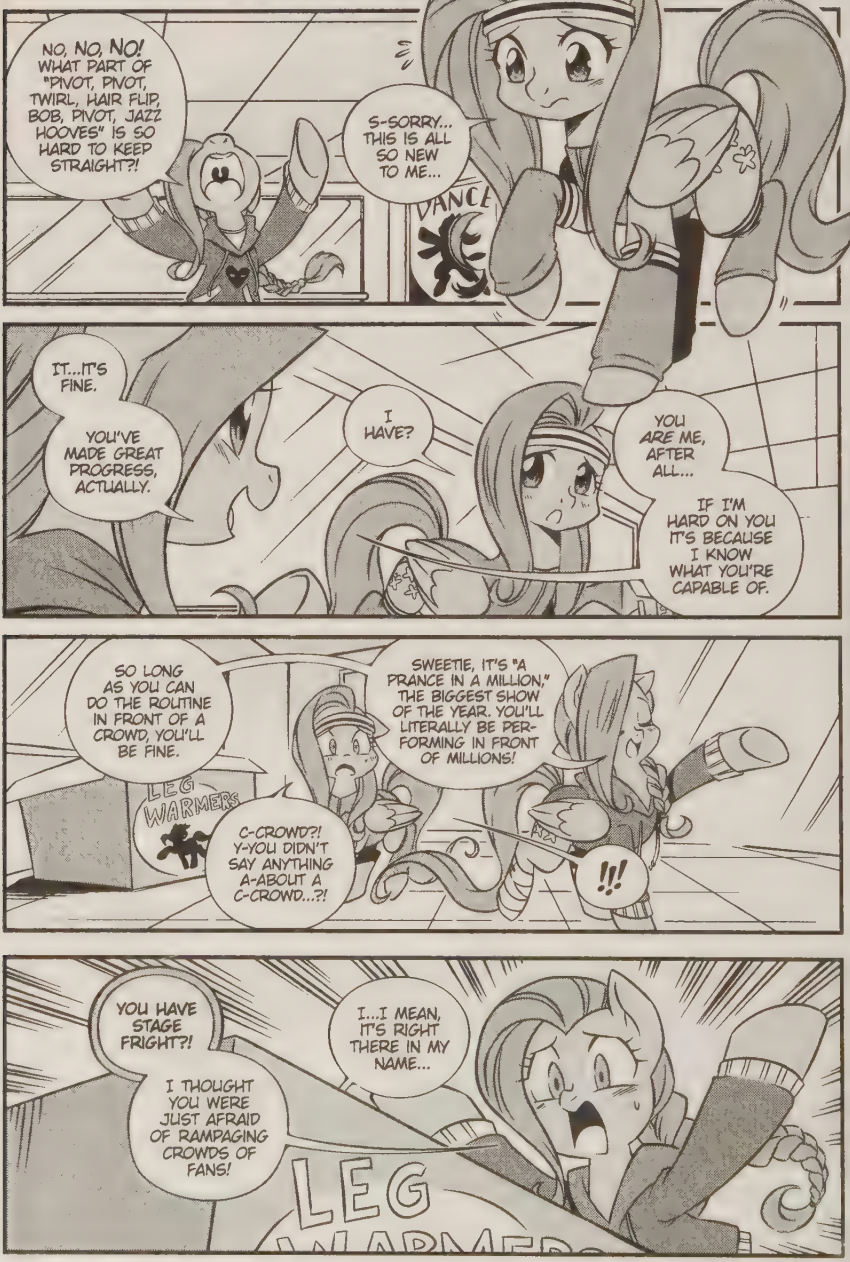

PROBLEM IS, HER TOP SPOT IS THREATENED BY THAT UP-AND-COMER PINKIE PIE, WHO'S BEEN RACING UP THE CHARTS OVER AT MOONLIT RECORDS.
O-OH... YOU HAVE A PINKIE, TOO? SHE'S QUITE SWEET ONCE YOU GET TO KNOW H--
THAT'S WHY IT'S SO IMPORTANT THAT FLUTTERSHY WINS "A PRANCE IN A MILLION" TOMORROW, THE MOST WIDELY WATCHED CELEBRITY TALENT COMPETITION IN EQUESTRIA.


O-OH MY... WELL, IF YOU'RE AS TALENTED AS THEY SAY YOU ARE, THAT SHOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM.
IT WOULDN'T BE, BUT I TWISTED MY ANKLE TRYING TO OUTDO PINKIE PIE'S... ENERGETIC DANCE ROUTINES.
RUMOR HAS IT, SHE'LL BE DANCING WITH SPRINGS ON HER HOOVES THIS TIME.
OH! HOW AWFUL? I GUESS THAT *IS* QUITE THE PROBLEM.

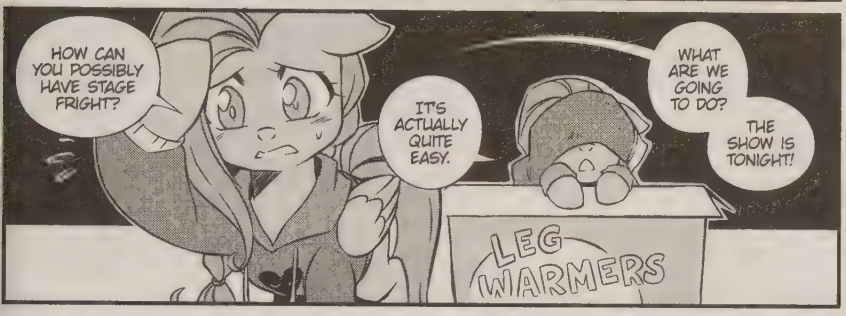
Element of Dread

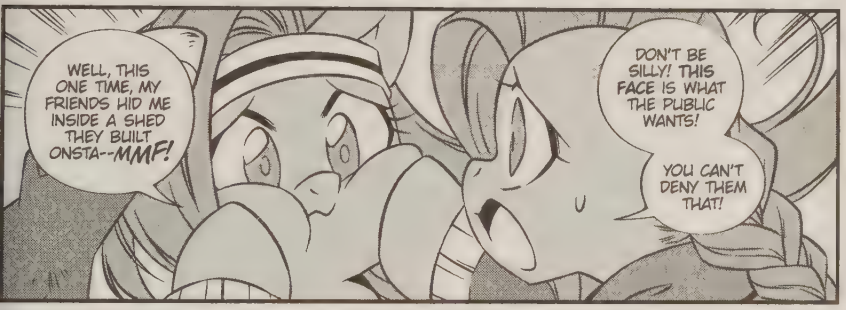

Y-YOU WANT ME TO...?
THERE'S JUST NO WAY!
YOU MUST! THINK OF THE FANS!
THE ROADIES...
MY NEXT ALBUM SALES!
UH... M-MAYBE IT'D BE OKAY IF YOU DIDN'T SHOW UP FOR THIS ONE?
ARE YOU KIDDING? ONLY THE BEST OF THE BEST CAN COMPETE IN "A PRANCE IN A MILLION" FOR THE GREAT GOLDEN CUP.
IF WE'RE NOT THERE, EVERYPONY WILL THINK WE WERE TOO SCARED TO COMPETE!
I AM TOO SCARED TO COMPETE!
VPP
WAIT! ON THE CUP, THAT'S THE ELEMENT OF KINDNESS! THAT'S WHY I'M HERE!
THAT'S WHAT I CAME TO GET NO MATTER THE COS--
OH NO...
WELL, WELL... LOOK WHO JUST RAN OUT OF OPTIONS!

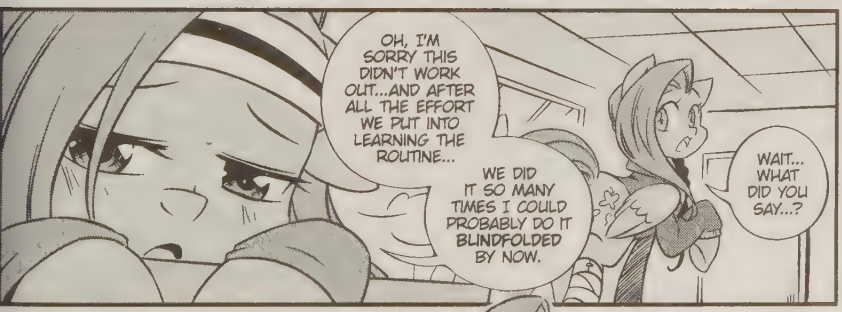
Feeling Boxed In

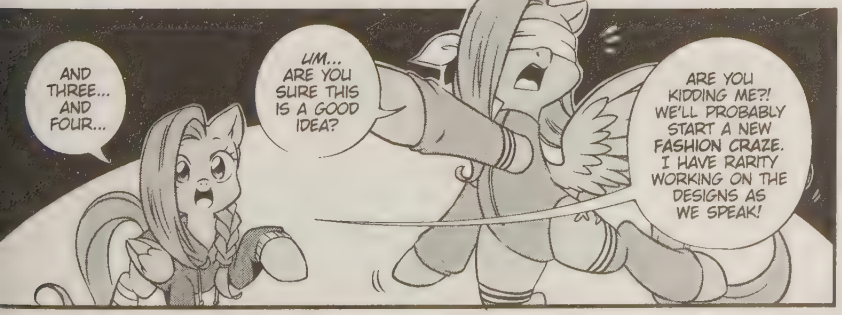

NO, NO, NO! WHAT PART OF "PIVOT, PIVOT, TWIRL, HAIR FLIP, BOB, PIVOT, JAZZ HOOVES" IS SO HARD TO KEEP STRAIGHT?!
S-SORRY... THIS IS ALL SO NEW TO ME...
DANCE
IT...IT'S FINE.
YOU'VE MADE GREAT PROGRESS, ACTUALLY.
I HAVE?
YOU ARE ME, AFTER ALL...
IF I'M HARD ON YOU IT'S BECAUSE I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE CAPABLE OF.
SO LONG AS YOU CAN DO THE ROUTINE IN FRONT OF A CROWD, YOU'LL BE FINE.
LEG WARMERS
C-CROWD?! Y-YOU DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING A-ABOUT A C-CROWD...?!
SWEETIE, IT'S "A PRANCE IN A MILLION," THE BIGGEST SHOW OF THE YEAR. YOU'LL LITERALLY BE PERFORMING IN FRONT OF MILLIONS!
!!!
YOU HAVE STAGE FRIGHT?!
I THOUGHT YOU WERE JUST AFRAID OF RAMPAGING CROWDS OF FANS!
I...I MEAN, IT'S RIGHT THERE IN MY NAME...
LEG

Blind Foald

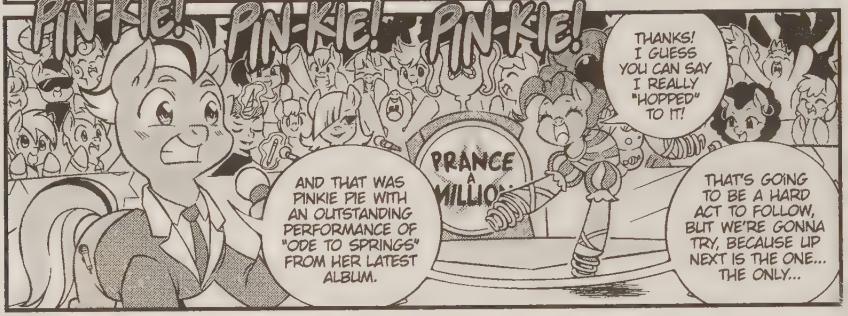

HOW CAN YOU POSSIBLY HAVE STAGE FRIGHT?
IT'S ACTUALLY QUITE EASY.
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?
THE SHOW IS TONIGHT!
LEG WARMERS

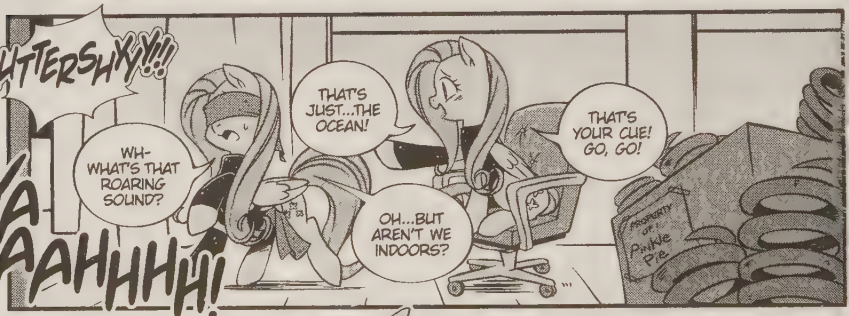

WELL, THIS ONE TIME, MY FRIENDS HID ME INSIDE A SHED THEY BUILT ONSTA--MMF!
DON'T BE SILLY! THIS FACE IS WHAT THE PUBLIC WANTS!
YOU CAN'T DENY THEM THAT!

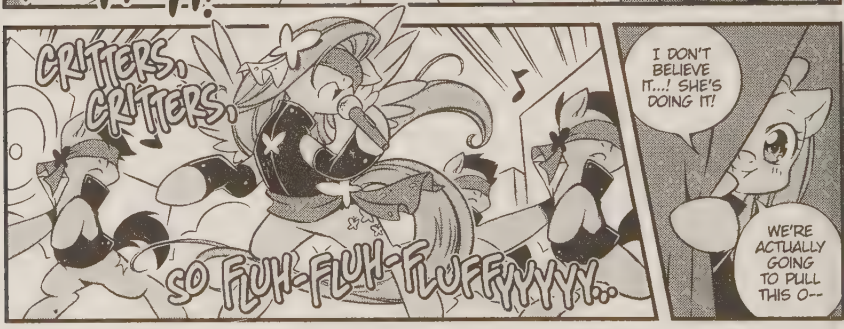

OH, I'M SORRY THIS DIDN'T WORK OUT...AND AFTER ALL THE EFFORT WE PUT INTO LEARNING THE ROUTINE...
WE DID IT SO MANY TIMES I COULD PROBABLY DO IT BLINDFOLDED BY NOW.
WAIT... WHAT DID YOU SAY...?

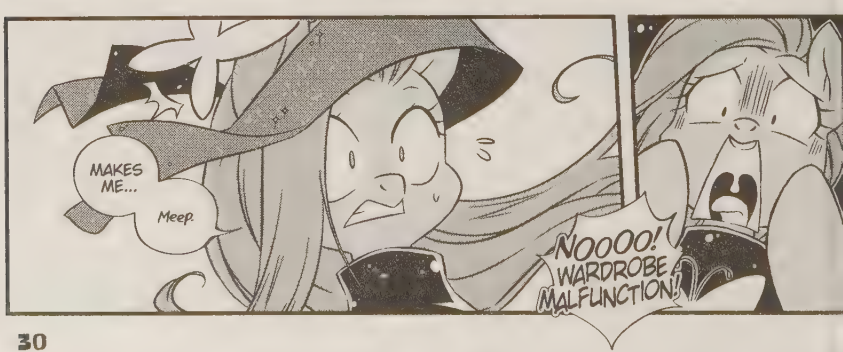

AND THREE... AND FOUR...
UM... ARE YOU SURE THIS IS A GOOD IDEA?
ARE YOU KIDDING ME?! WE'LL PROBABLY START A NEW FASHION CRAZE. I HAVE RARITY WORKING ON THE DESIGNS AS WE SPEAK!

Blindsight is 20/20

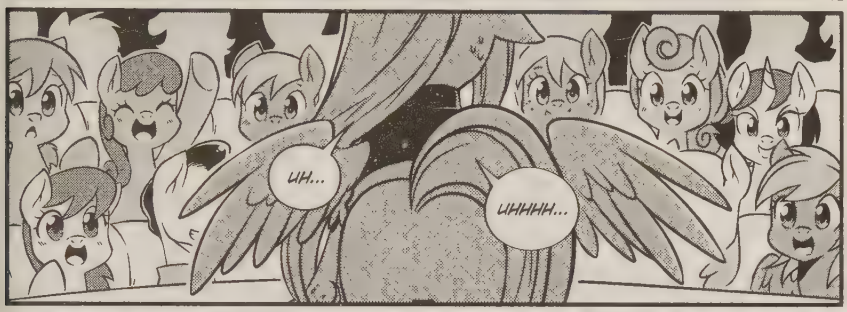

PIN-KIE! PIN-KIE! PIN-KIE!
AND THAT WAS PINKIE PIE WITH AN OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE OF "ODE TO SPRINGS" FROM HER LATEST ALBUM.
PRANCE A MILLION
THANKS! I GUESS YOU CAN SAY I REALLY "HOPPED" TO IT!
THAT'S GOING TO BE A HARD ACT TO FOLLOW, BUT WE'RE GONNA TRY, BECAUSE UP NEXT IS THE ONE... THE ONLY...

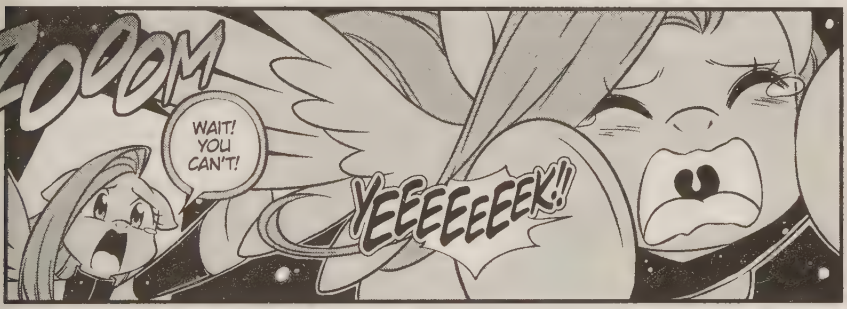


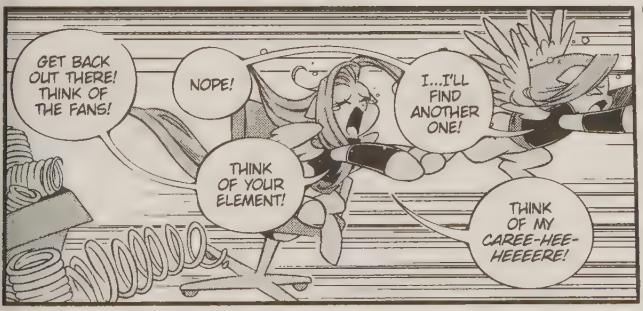


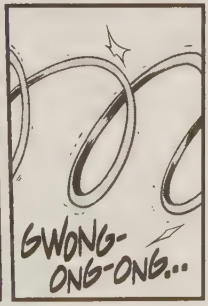


Fly Ahead, Spring Behind









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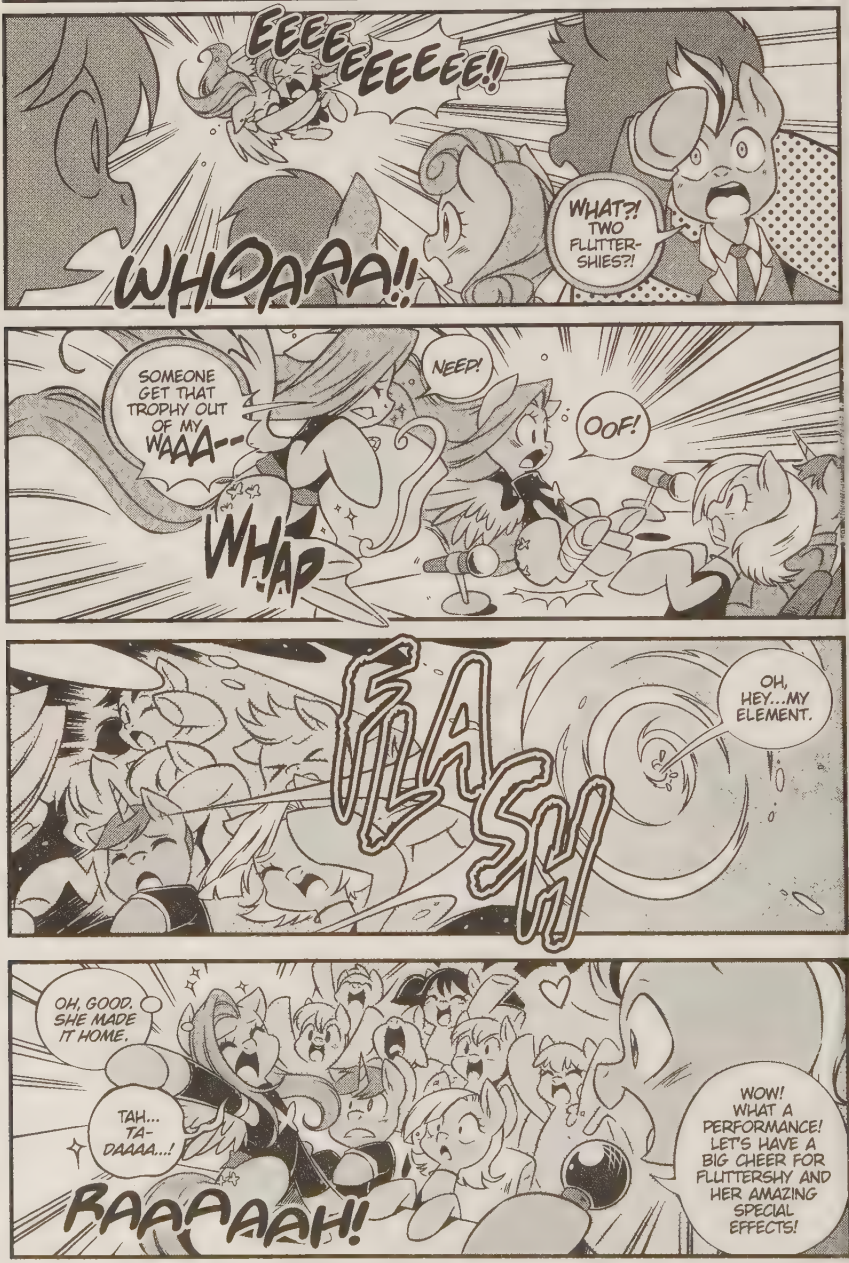
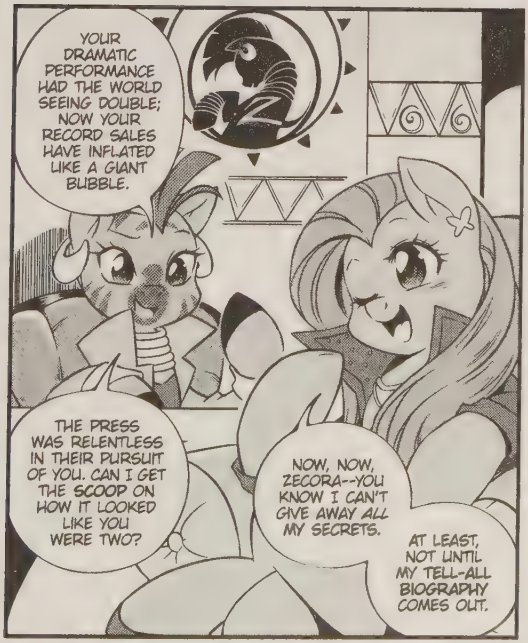
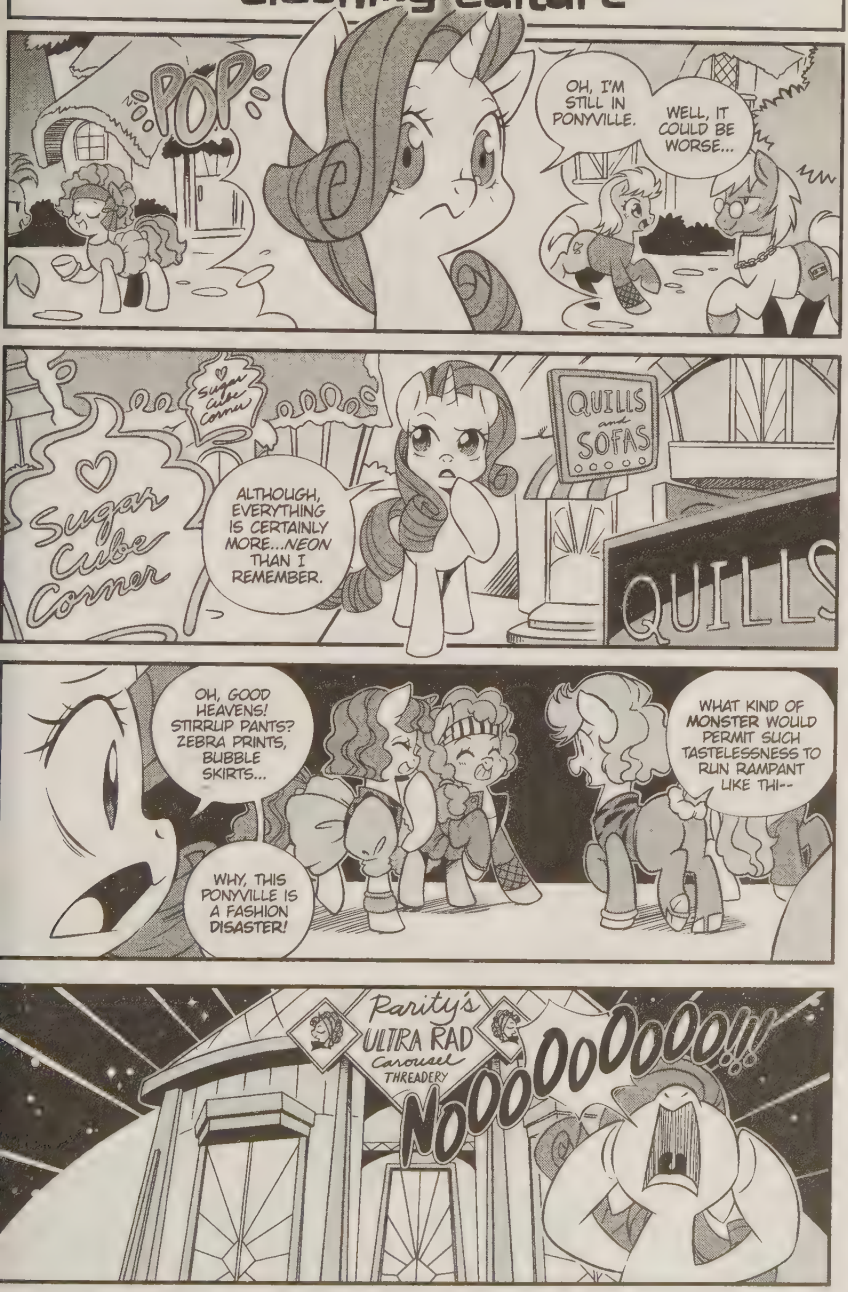
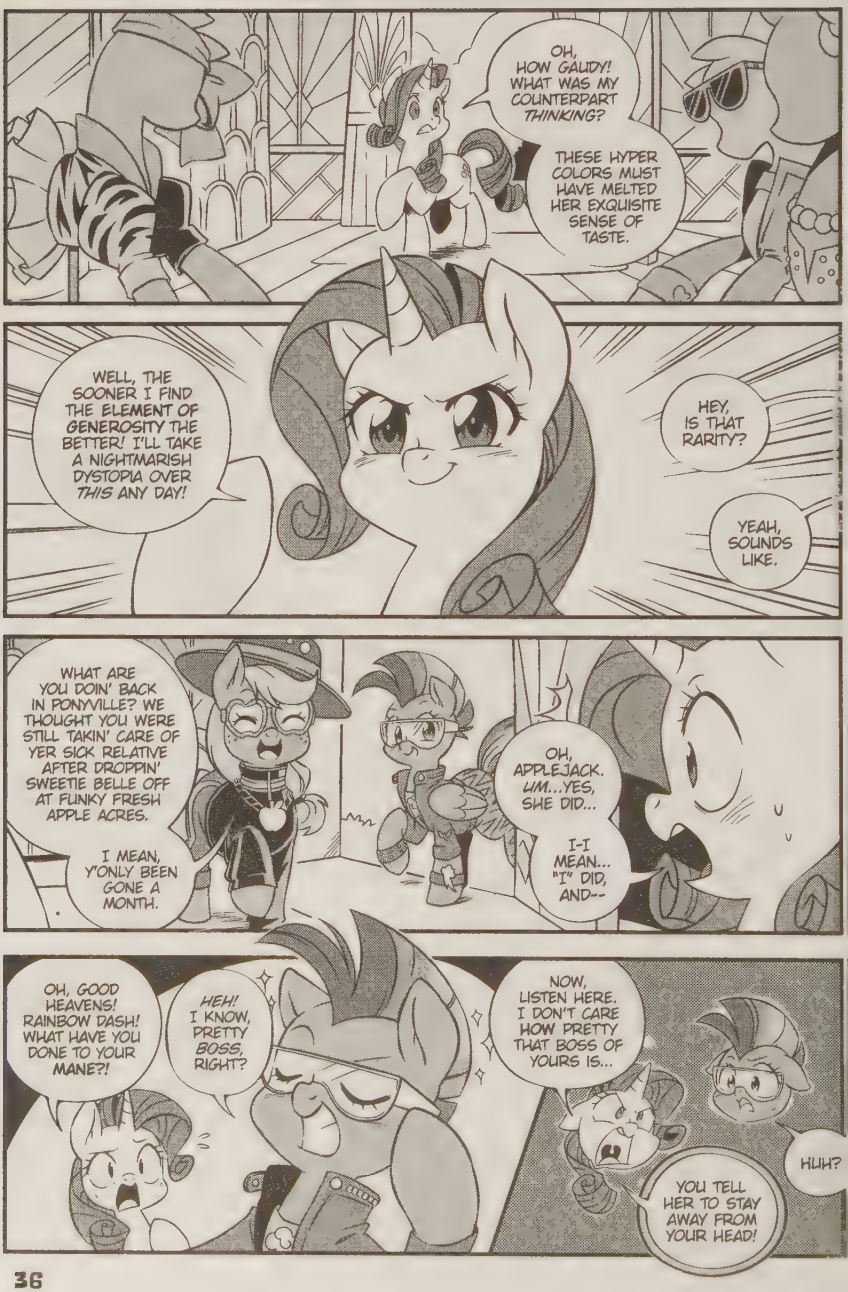


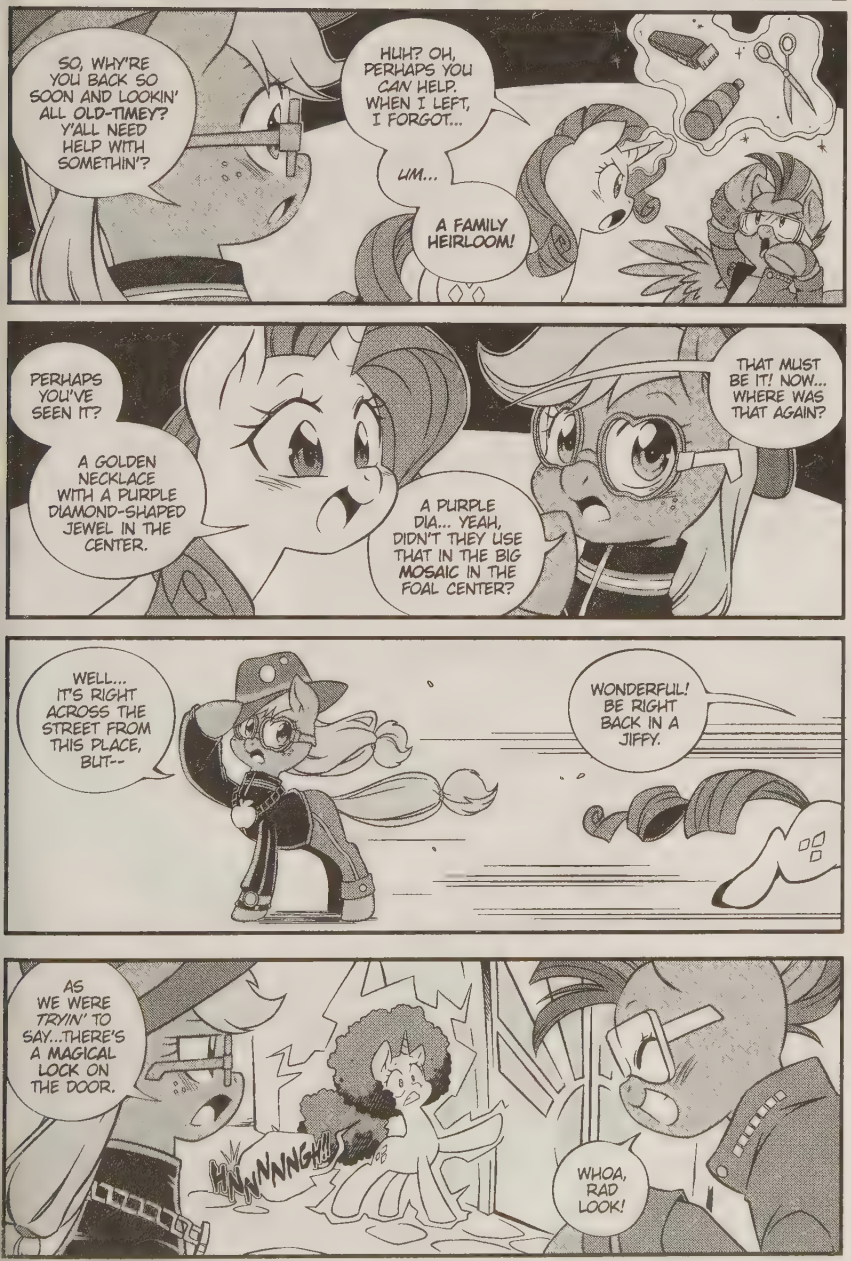

YOUR DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE HAD THE WORLD SEEING DOUBLE; NOW YOUR RECORD SALES HAVE INFLATED LIKE A GIANT BUBBLE.
THE PRESS WAS RELENTLESS IN THEIR PURSUIT OF YOU. CAN I GET THE SCOOP ON HOW IT LOOKED LIKE YOU WERE TWO?
NOW, NOW, ZECORA--YOU KNOW I CAN'T GIVE AWAY ALL MY SECRETS.
AT LEAST, NOT UNTIL MY TELL-ALL BIOGRAPHY COMES OUT.

CHAPTER 3

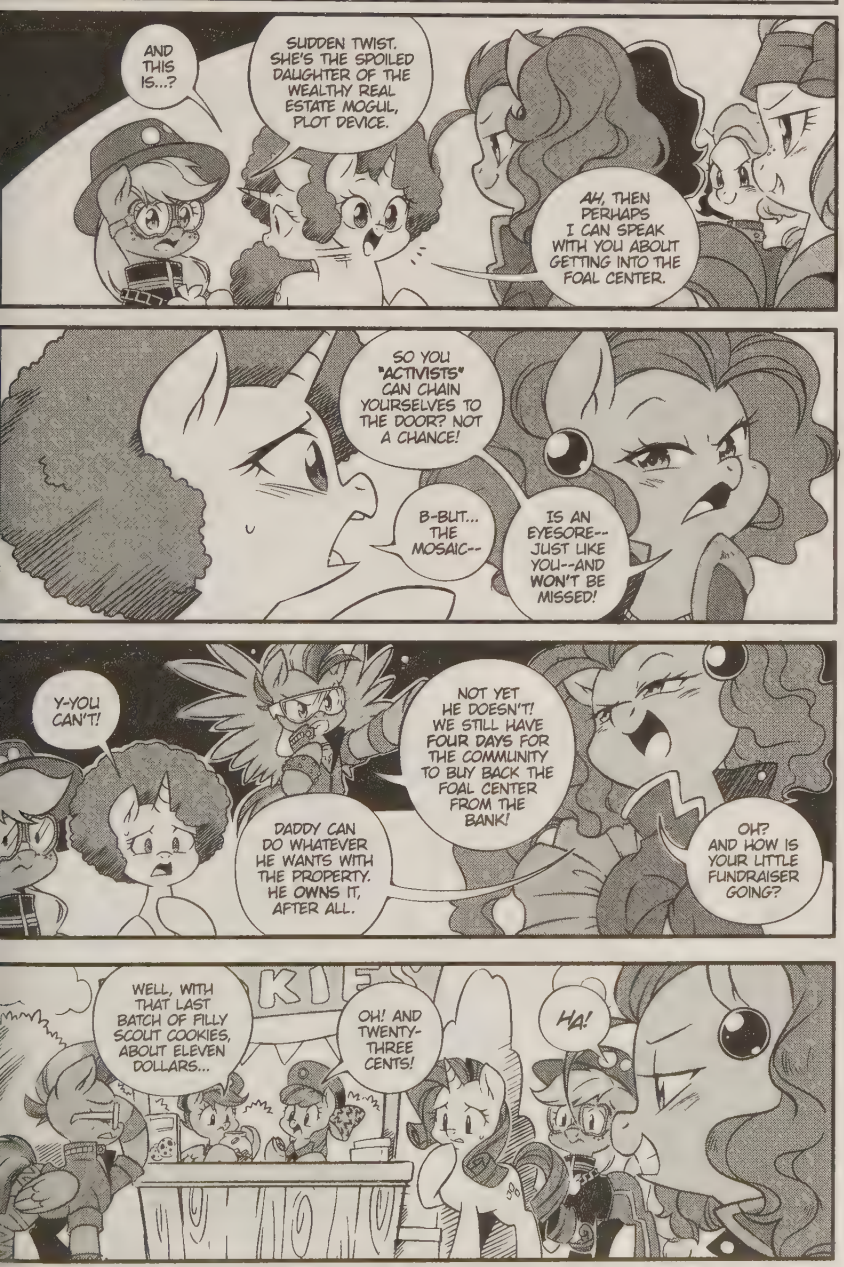
Clashing Culture


POP!
OH, I'M STILL IN PONYVILLE.
WELL, IT COULD BE WORSE...
Sugar Cube Corner
ALTHOUGH, EVERYTHING IS CERTAINLY MORE...NEON THAN I REMEMBER.
QUILLS and SOFAS
QUILLS
OH, GOOD HEAVENS! STIRRUP PANTS? ZEBRA PRINTS, BUBBLE SKIRTS...
WHY, THIS PONYVILLE IS A FASHION DISASTER!
WHAT KIND OF MONSTER WOULD PERMIT SUCH TASTELESSNESS TO RUN RAMPANT LIKE THI--
Rarity's ULTRA RAD Carousel THREADERY
NOOOOOOOOO!!!

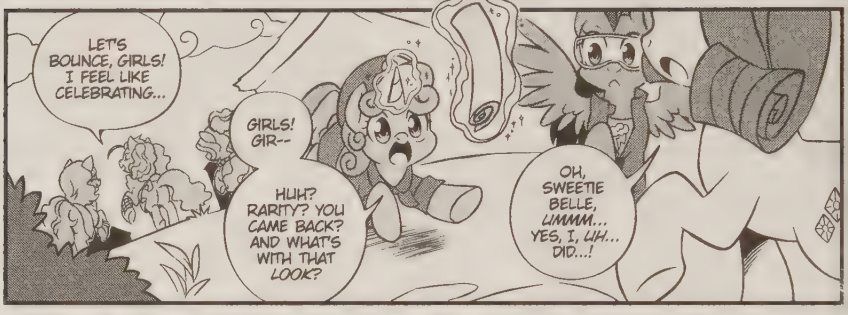

OH, HOW GALIDY! WHAT WAS MY COUNTERPART THINKING?
THESE HYPER COLORS MUST HAVE MELTED HER EXQUISITE SENSE OF TASTE.
WELL, THE SOONER I FIND THE ELEMENT OF GENEROSITY THE BETTER! I'LL TAKE A NIGHTMARISH DYSTOPIA OVER THIS ANY DAY!
HEY, IS THAT RARITY?
YEAH, SOUNDS LIKE.
WHAT ARE YOU DOIN' BACK IN PONYVILLE? WE THOUGHT YOU WERE STILL TAKIN' CARE OF YER SICK RELATIVE AFTER DROPPIN' SWEETIE BELLE OFF AT FUNKY FRESH APPLE ACRES.
I MEAN, Y'ONLY BEEN GONE A MONTH.
OH, APPLEJACK. UM...YES, SHE DID...
I-I MEAN... "I" DID, AND--
OH, GOOD HEAVENS! RAINBOW DASH! WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO YOUR MANE?!
HEH! I KNOW, PRETTY BOSS, RIGHT?
NOW, LISTEN HERE. I DON'T CARE HOW PRETTY THAT BOSS OF YOURS IS...
HUH?
YOU TELL HER TO STAY AWAY FROM YOUR HEAD!

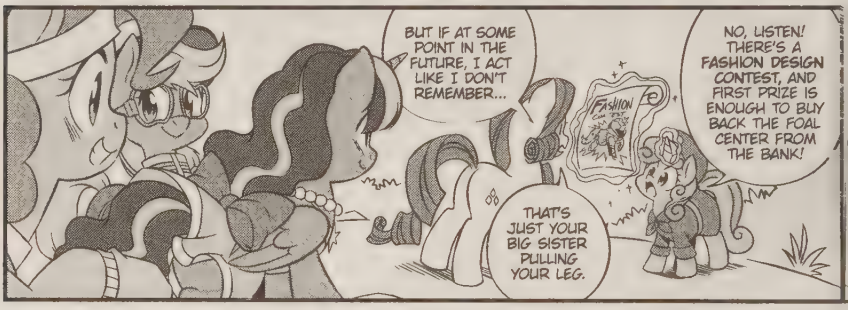

SO, WHY'RE YOU BACK SO SOON AND LOOKIN' ALL OLD-TIMEY? Y'ALL NEED HELP WITH SOMETHIN'?
HUH? OH, PERHAPS YOU CAN HELP. WHEN I LEFT, I FORGOT...
UM...
A FAMILY HEIRLOOM!
PERHAPS YOU'VE SEEN IT?
A GOLDEN NECKLACE WITH A PURPLE DIAMOND-SHAPED JEWEL IN THE CENTER.
A PURPLE DIA... YEAH, DIDN'T THEY USE THAT IN THE BIG MOSAIC IN THE FOAL CENTER?
THAT MUST BE IT! NOW... WHERE WAS THAT AGAIN?
WELL... IT'S RIGHT ACROSS THE STREET FROM THIS PLACE, BUT--
WONDERFUL! BE RIGHT BACK IN A JIFFY.
AS WE WERE TRYIN' TO SAY...THERE'S A MAGICAL LOCK ON THE DOOR.
HNNNNNGH!!
WHOA, RAD LOOK!

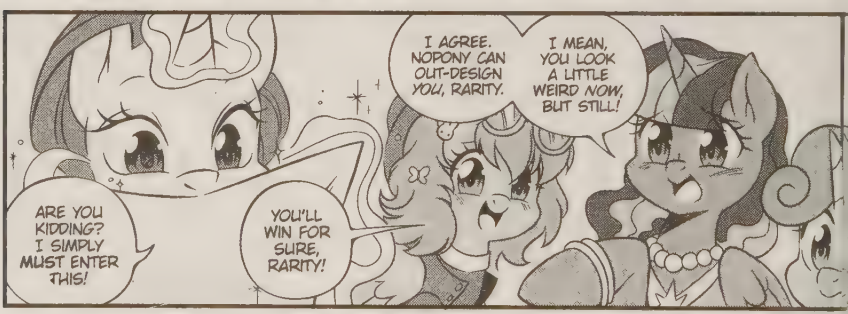
YOU'RE TELLING ME THE ENTIRE FOAL CENTER IS LOCKED?!
YUP. BOGUS, AIN'T IT? EVERY DOOR AND WINDOW IS PROTECTED BY MAGIC AND WE CAN'T EVEN DIG OUR WAY IN.
PINKIE TRIED.
BUT WE HAVE TO GET IN THERE!
HEY, I WANT A PLACE FOR CLEAN, SAFE, SUPERVISED ACTIVITIES FOR COLTS AND FILLIES AS MUCH AS THE NEXT PONY...
BUT THERE AIN'T MUCH WE CAN DO AT THIS POINT.
YEAH, ALL WE CAN DO NOW IS WAIT FOR IT TO GET TORN DOWN.
FOAL CENTER
TUH-TORN DOWN?!
YUP! MOSAIC AND ALL!
WHY... BY MY DADDY, OF COURSE!
HOW...? BY WHOM?!
CLOP
TO MAKE ROOM FOR HIS NEW LUXURY CONDOS.
AW, GAG ME WITH A SPOON...IT'S SUDDEN TWIST!
GLOAT SOME MORE, WHY DON'TCHA?
SNICKER
THANKS, DON'T MIND IF I DO.

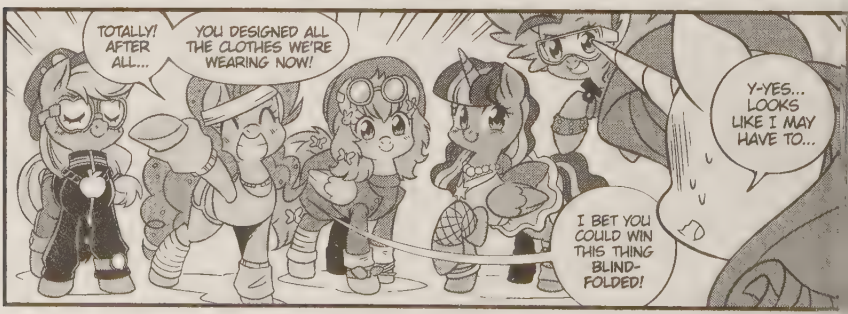

AND THIS IS...?
SUDDEN TWIST. SHE'S THE SPOILED DAUGHTER OF THE WEALTHY REAL ESTATE MOGUL, PLOT DEVICE.
AH, THEN PERHAPS I CAN SPEAK WITH YOU ABOUT GETTING INTO THE FOAL CENTER.
SO YOU "ACTIVISTS" CAN CHAIN YOURSELVES TO THE DOOR? NOT A CHANCE!
B-BUT... THE MOSAIC--
IS AN EYESORE-- JUST LIKE YOU--AND WON'T BE MISSED!
Y-YOU CAN'T!
DADDY CAN DO WHATEVER HE WANTS WITH THE PROPERTY. HE OWNS IT, AFTER ALL.
NOT YET HE DOESN'T! WE STILL HAVE FOUR DAYS FOR THE COMMUNITY TO BUY BACK THE FOAL CENTER FROM THE BANK!
OH? AND HOW IS YOUR LITTLE FUNDRAISER GOING?
WELL, WITH THAT LAST BATCH OF FILLY SCOUT COOKIES, ABOUT ELEVEN DOLLARS...
OH! AND TWENTY-THREE CENTS!
HA!

Retr-uh-oh!

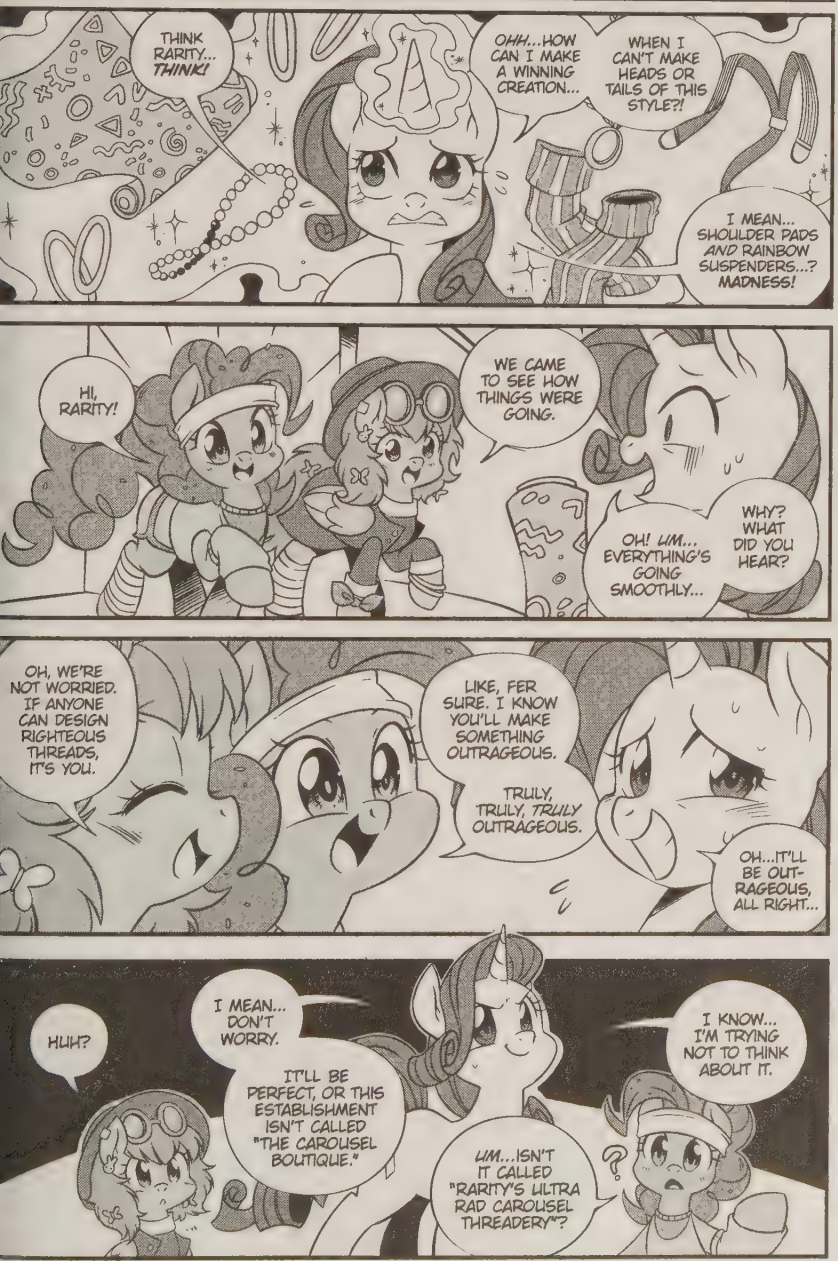

LET'S BOUNCE, GIRLS! I FEEL LIKE CELEBRATING...
GIRLS! GIR--
HUH? RARITY? YOU CAME BACK? AND WHAT'S WITH THAT LOOK?
OH, SWEETIE BELLE, UMMM... YES, I, UH... DID...!


BUT IF AT SOME POINT IN THE FUTURE, I ACT LIKE I DON'T REMEMBER...
NO, LISTEN! THERE'S A FASHION DESIGN CONTEST, AND FIRST PRIZE IS ENOUGH TO BUY BACK THE FOAL CENTER FROM THE BANK!
FASHION
THAT'S JUST YOUR BIG SISTER PULLING YOUR LEG.

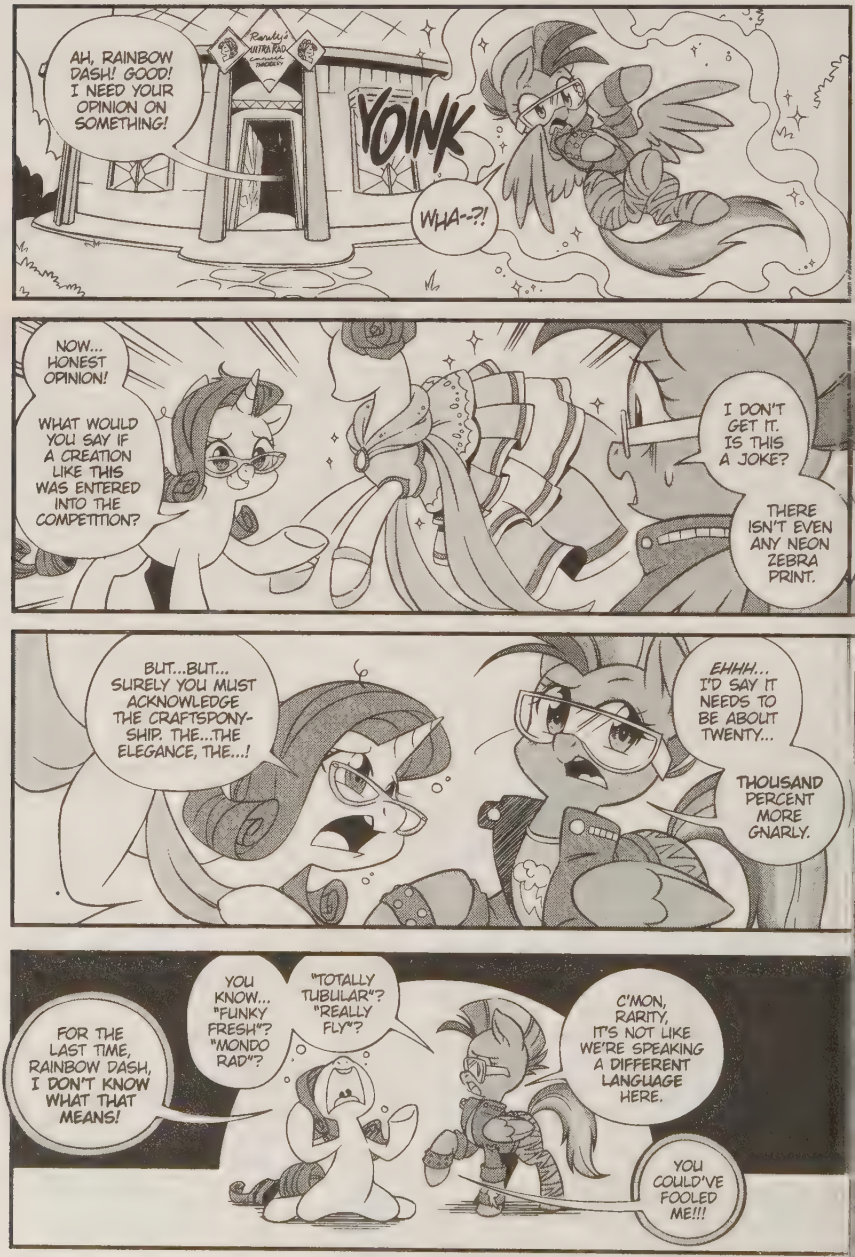

I AGREE. NOPONY CAN OUT-DESIGN YOU, RARITY.
I MEAN, YOU LOOK A LITTLE WEIRD NOW, BUT STILL!
ARE YOU KIDDING? I SIMPLY MUST ENTER THIS!
YOU'LL WIN FOR SURE, RARITY!


TOTALLY! AFTER ALL...
YOU DESIGNED ALL THE CLOTHES WE'RE WEARING NOW!
Y-YES... LOOKS LIKE I MAY HAVE TO...
I BET YOU COULD WIN THIS THING BLINDFOLDED!

In Today, Outrageous Tomorrow


THINK RARITY... THINK!
OHH...HOW CAN I MAKE A WINNING CREATION...
WHEN I CAN'T MAKE HEADS OR TAILS OF THIS STYLE?!
I MEAN... SHOULDER PADS AND RAINBOW SUSPENDERS...? MADNESS!
HI, RARITY!
WE CAME TO SEE HOW THINGS WERE GOING.
OH! UM... EVERYTHING'S GOING SMOOTHLY...
WHY? WHAT DID YOU HEAR?
OH, WE'RE NOT WORRIED. IF ANYONE CAN DESIGN RIGHTEOUS THREADS, IT'S YOU.
LIKE, FER SURE. I KNOW YOU'LL MAKE SOMETHING OUTRAGEOUS.
TRULY, TRULY, TRULY OUTRAGEOUS.
OH...IT'LL BE OUT-RAGEOUS, ALL RIGHT...
HUH?
I MEAN... DON'T WORRY.
IT'LL BE PERFECT, OR THIS ESTABLISHMENT ISN'T CALLED "THE CAROUSEL BOUTIQUE."
UM...ISN'T IT CALLED "RARITY'S ULTRA RAD CAROUSEL THREADERY"?
I KNOW... I'M TRYING NOT TO THINK ABOUT IT.

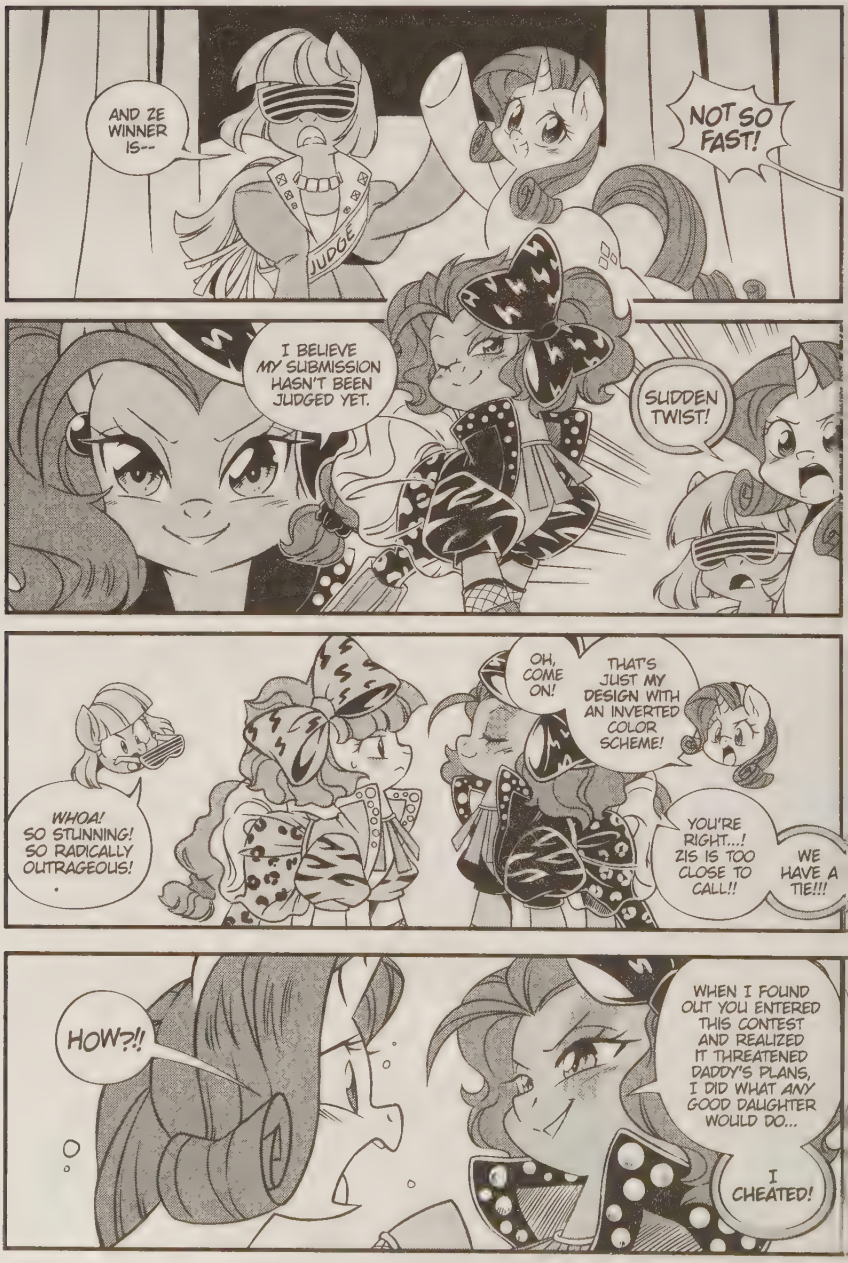
Bucking the Trendy


AH, RAINBOW DASH! GOOD! I NEED YOUR OPINION ON SOMETHING!
Rarity's ULTRA RAD FASHION THEORY
YOINK
WHA--?!
NOW... HONEST OPINION!
WHAT WOULD YOU SAY IF A CREATION LIKE THIS WAS ENTERED INTO THE COMPETITION?
I DON'T GET IT. IS THIS A JOKE?
THERE ISN'T EVEN ANY NEON ZEBRA PRINT.
BUT...BUT... SURELY YOU MUST ACKNOWLEDGE THE CRAFTSPONY-SHIP. THE...THE ELEGANCE, THE...!
EHHH... I'D SAY IT NEEDS TO BE ABOUT TWENTY...
THOUSAND PERCENT MORE GNARLY.
FOR THE LAST TIME, RAINBOW DASH, I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS!
YOU KNOW... "FUNKY FRESH"? "MONDO RAD"?
"TOTALLY TUBULAR"? "REALLY FLY"?
C'MON, RARITY, IT'S NOT LIKE WE'RE SPEAKING A DIFFERENT LANGUAGE HERE.
YOU COULD'VE FOOLED ME!!!

Dressed for Excess

AND NOW, A CREATION BY PONYVILLE'S OWN RARITY.
OOH, YOUR DRESS IS UP NEXT. AREN'T YOU EXCITED, RARITY...?
Y-YES, O-OF COURSE...
WHAT COULD GO WRONG...?
OTHER THAN EVERY-THING!
SHHHK
GASP!
P-PERHAPS I SHOULD EXPLAIN...
I WAS GOING FOR A NEO-MODERN TAKE ON...!
OH, WHO AM I KIDDING?! I JUST THREW ALL THE FASHION TRENDS TOGETHER IN HOPES THAT SOMETHING WOULD STICK! I'M A FRAUD! A COMPLETE FR--
WE LOVE IT!!!
OH, THANK GOODNESS... I MEAN... HOORAYYY...?

Knock It Off, Knock-off!


AND ZE WINNER IS--
JUDGE
NOT SO FAST!
I BELIEVE MY SUBMISSION HASN'T BEEN JUDGED YET.
SUDDEN TWIST!
WHOA! SO STUNNING! SO RADICALLY OUTRAGEOUS!
OH, COME ON!
THAT'S JUST MY DESIGN WITH AN INVERTED COLOR SCHEME!
YOU'RE RIGHT...! ZIS IS TOO CLOSE TO CALL!!
WE HAVE A TIE!!!
HOW?!
WHEN I FOUND OUT YOU ENTERED THIS CONTEST AND REALIZED IT THREATENED DADDY'S PLANS, I DID WHAT ANY GOOD DAUGHTER WOULD DO...
I CHEATED!

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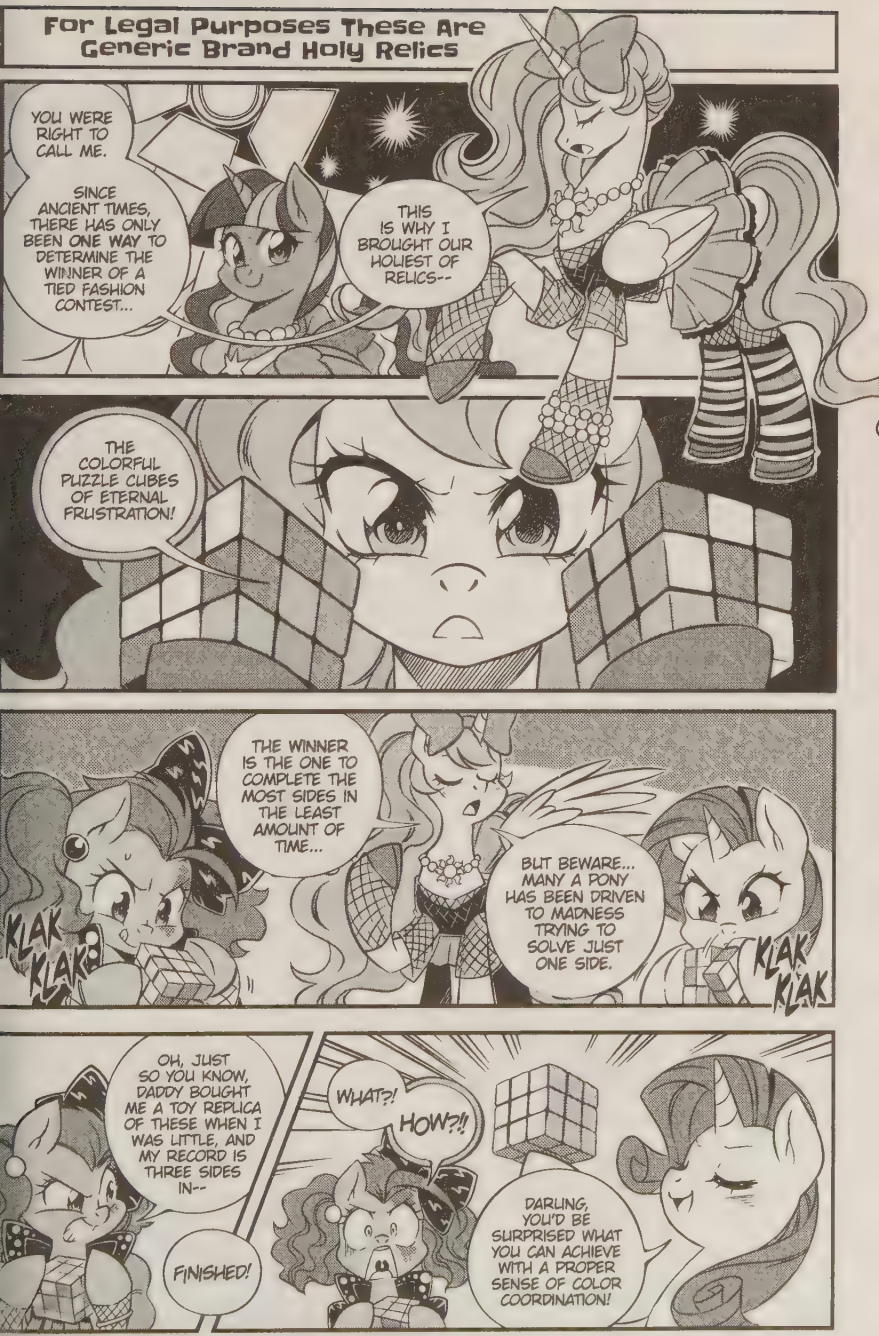

YOU WERE RIGHT TO CALL ME.
SINCE ANCIENT TIMES, THERE HAS ONLY BEEN ONE WAY TO DETERMINE THE WINNER OF A TIED FASHION CONTEST...
THIS IS WHY I BROUGHT OUR HOLIEST OF RELICS--
THE COLORFUL PUZZLE CUBES OF ETERNAL FRUSTRATION!
THE WINNER IS THE ONE TO COMPLETE THE MOST SIDES IN THE LEAST AMOUNT OF TIME...
KLAK KLAK
BUT BEWARE... MANY A PONY HAS BEEN DRIVEN TO MADNESS TRYING TO SOLVE JUST ONE SIDE.
KLAK KLAK
OH, JUST SO YOU KNOW, DADDY BOUGHT ME A TOY REPLICA OF THESE WHEN I WAS LITTLE, AND MY RECORD IS THREE SIDES IN--
FINISHED!
WHAT?!
HOW?!!
DARLING, YOU'D BE SURPRISED WHAT YOU CAN ACHIEVE WITH A PROPER SENSE OF COLOR COORDINATION!

Party Like it's 1989

WOO HOO! THE FOAL CENTER IS SAVED!
C'MON, RARITY! THIS IS YOUR PARTY, AFTER ALL.
YES, WELL, I HATE TO BE SO GAUCHE AS TO LEAVE EARLY, BUT...
OH NO! RARITY'S DISAPPEARED INTO THIN AIR!
POSSIBLY NEVER TO RETUUUURN!
BLINK
GASP!
WHY, HELLO, EVERYONE. I'M BACK FROM MY TRIP.
NEVER MIND--THERE SHE IS! EVERYPONY PARTYYYYY!!!
DID I MISS ANYTHING?

GOODNESS! IF I'D KNOWN YOU'D BE THIS GLAD TO SEE ME COME HOME, I'D GO OUT OF TOWN MORE OFTEN!

CHAPTER 4

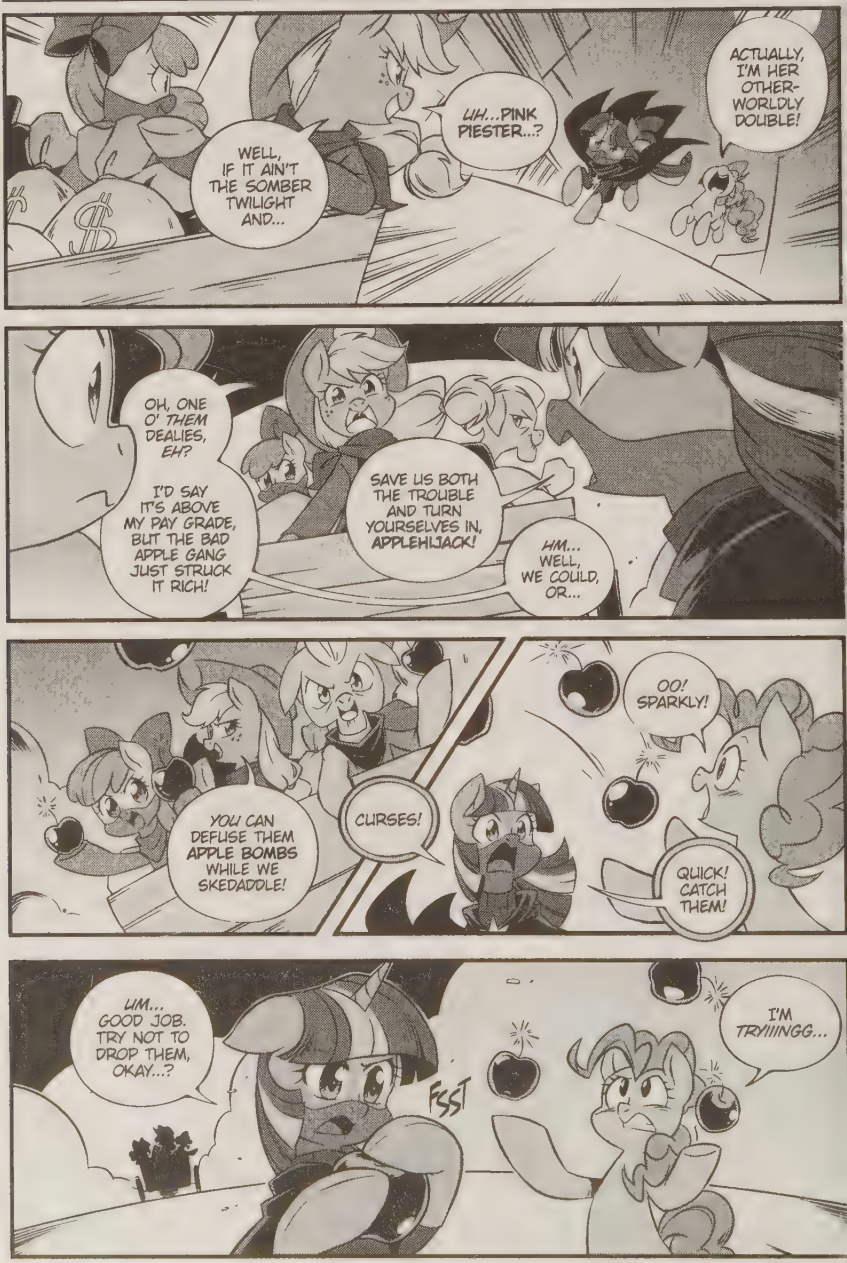
PONYVILLE... MY CITY...
A CITY I AM SWORN TO PROTECT FROM THE VILE AND CORRUPT...
REST WELL, GENTLE PONY FOLK, FOR FROM THE SHADOWS YOUR PROTECTOR REMAINS EVER VIGILANT.
THOUGH YOU MAY NEVER SEE MY FACE, SLEEP WELL IN THE KNOWLEDGE THAT YOU ARE UNDER THE PROTECTION OF...
THE SOMBER TWILIGHT!! JUSTICE'S LAST GLEAMING!!!
THE SOMBER TWILIGHT
MAY ALL EVIL TREMBLE IN THE WAKE OF MY DARK JUST!--
HI, TWILIGHT! WHATCHA DOIN' UP HERE?
YEEEEEEEEK!!!

Cy-Bored
SO! MY ARCH-NEMESIS THE PINK PIESTER ONCE AGAIN THREATENS PONYVILLE WITH A CUNNINGLY CRAFTED CONSPIRACY OF CONFECTIONARY CRIME?
HUH? OH, NO, NO, NO, NO...
YOU MUST HAVE ME CONFUSED WITH YOUR PINKIE PIE--WE PROBABLY JUST LOOK ALIKE.
SEE, I'M FROM ANOTHER PONYVILLE--IT'S KIND OF LIKE YOURS BUT WITH SHORTER BUILDINGS AND BETTER LIGHTING--AND I HAD TO COME TO YOUR WORLD TO FIND MY ELEMENT OF HARMONY TO SAVE MY WORLD FROM BEING REWRITTEN FOREVER AFTER A SCAVENGER HUNT WENT HORRIBLY WRONG!
...
VERY WELL...LET'S GO FIND YOUR ELEMENT AND GET YOU HOME.
YAY! THAT WAS EASY! I ALMOST THOUGHT YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE MY FANTASTICAL TALE OF WONDER AND FANCY!
ACTUALLY, OTHERWORLDLY OR TIME-DISPLACED DOPPELGÄNGERS ARE A DIME A DOZEN AROUND HERE...
I HAD TO HELP A TIME-TRAVELING SCOOTALOO SAVE HER FUTURE FROM A GIANT QUEEN CHRYSALIS AND HER ARMY OF REPLICANTS JUST A FEW DAYS AGO.
VORP
SOMBER TWILIGHT! THE FUTURE NEEDS YOUR HELP TO STOP THE RISE OF PONYTRON 5000! ONLY YOU CA--
AGAIN? OKAY, FINE, BUT I'M BUSY WITH ALTERNATE-REALITY PINKIE HERE.
YOU'RE JUST GOING TO HAVE TO WAIT YOUR TURN.
HONESTLY! WHAT ARE YOU PONIES DOING IN THE FUTURE THAT YOU ALWAYS NEED OUR HELP?
BUT... ROBOT APOCA-LYPSE...!

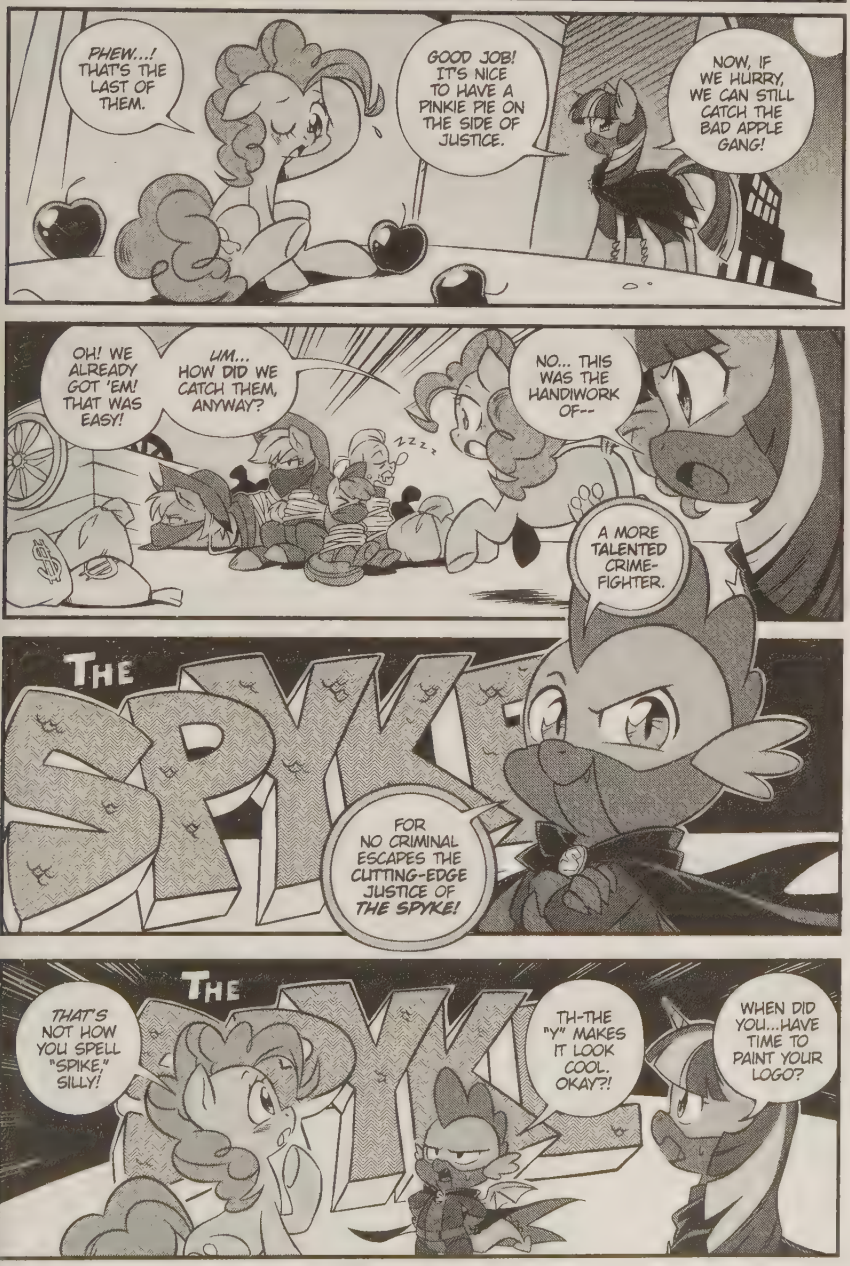
More Bang for Your Bucks

SO, THIS "ELEMENT OF HARMONY" OF YOURS... WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE?
WELL, IT'S LIKE THIS NECKLACE THINGY, WITH A BLUE BALLOON-Y GEM THAT'S--
MAGIC AMULET, GOT IT!
WE SHOULD HIT UP PONYVILLE MUSEUM, SEE IF THEY'VE RECEIVED ANY NEW ACQUISITIONS THAT WERE OBTAINED UNDER MYSTERIOUS CIRCUM--
KA-
BOOOOM
!!
NO WAY! YOU PONIES HAVE INDOOR FIREWORKS IN YOUR WORLD?!
BACK HOME THEY TOLD ME IT WAS A BAD IDEA. SOMETHING ABOUT A "FIRE HAZARD."
NO! PONYVILLE FIRST NATIONAL BANK IS BEING ROBBED BY...
THE BAD APPLE GANG!
SEED Y'ALL LATER!
IT'S BEEN REAL AP-PEEL-ING DOIN' BUSINESS WITH YA!
BAD APPLE GANG
HA! 'CAUSE "APPLES"... GET IT?
...

An Apple a Day Blows the Doctor Away!


WELL, IF IT AIN'T THE SOMBER TWILIGHT AND...
UH...PINK PIESTER...?
ACTUALLY, I'M HER OTHER-WORLDLY DOUBLE!
OH, ONE O' THEM DEALIES, EH?
I'D SAY IT'S ABOVE MY PAY GRADE, BUT THE BAD APPLE GANG JUST STRUCK IT RICH!
SAVE US BOTH THE TROUBLE AND TURN YOURSELVES IN, APPLEHIJACK!
HM... WELL, WE COULD, OR...
YOU CAN DEFUSE THEM APPLE BOMBS WHILE WE SKEDADDLE!
CURSES!
OO! SPARKLY!
QUICK! CATCH THEM!
UM... GOOD JOB. TRY NOT TO DROP THEM, OKAY...?
FSST
I'M TRYIIINGG...

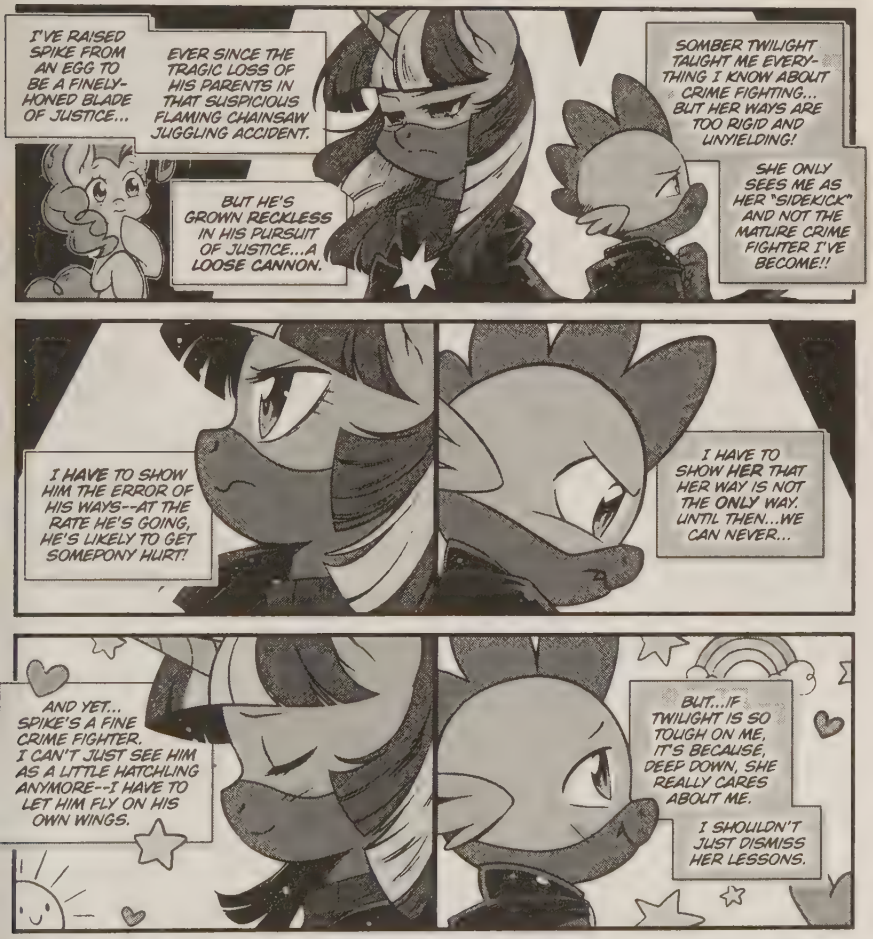
"Y"? Well... "Y" Not?


PHEW...! THAT'S THE LAST OF THEM.
GOOD JOB! IT'S NICE TO HAVE A PINKIE PIE ON THE SIDE OF JUSTICE.
NOW, IF WE HURRY, WE CAN STILL CATCH THE BAD APPLE GANG!
OH! WE ALREADY GOT 'EM! THAT WAS EASY!
UM... HOW DID WE CATCH THEM, ANYWAY?
NO... THIS WAS THE HANDIWORK OF--
A MORE TALENTED CRIME-FIGHTER.
THE SPYKE
FOR NO CRIMINAL ESCAPES THE CUTTING-EDGE JUSTICE OF THE SPYKE!
THE SPYKE
THAT'S NOT HOW YOU SPELL "SPIKE," SILLY!
TH-THE "Y" MAKES IT LOOK COOL, OKAY?!
WHEN DID YOU...HAVE TIME TO PAINT YOUR LOGO?

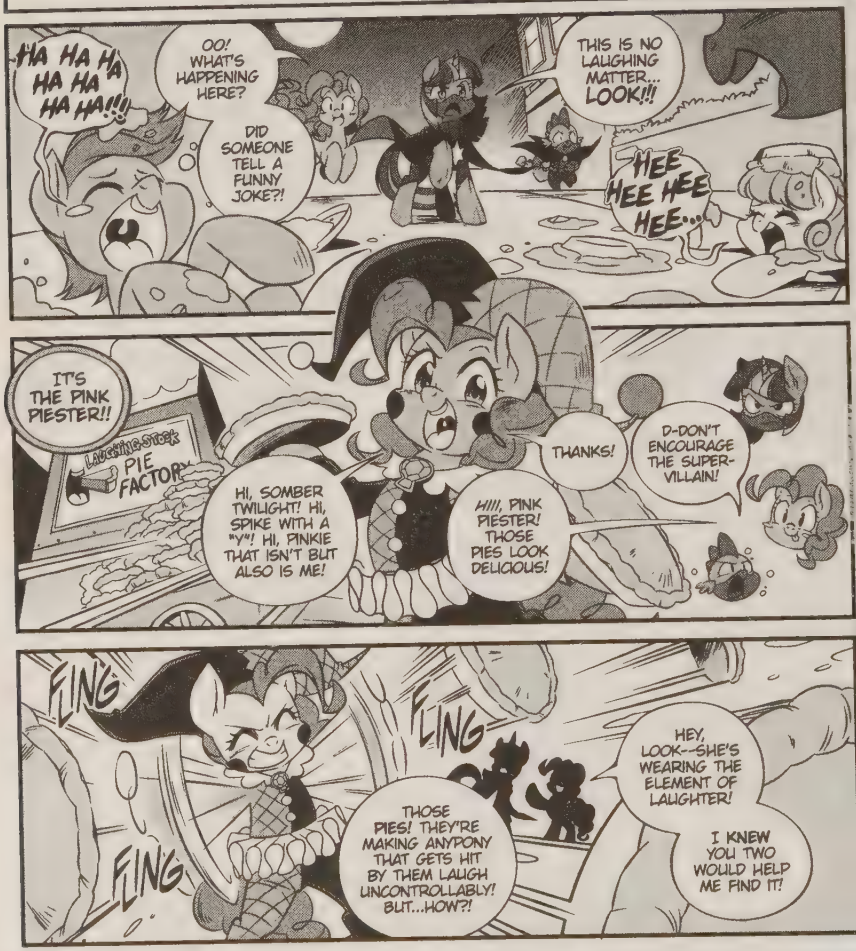
Side Ticked!

OTHERWORLD PINKIE, MEET SPIKE, MY EX-SIDEKICK.
EX-PARTNER!
OH NO! YOU TWO SPLIT UP? WHAT HAPPENED?
HE WOULDN'T LISTEN TO ORDERS!
SHE WAS ALWAYS TELLING ME WHAT TO DO!
AW, MY TWILIGHT AND SPIKE ARE THE BEST OF FRIENDS...
THOSE TWO STUCK TOGETHER THROUGH THICK AND THIN.
ARE YOU *SUUURE* THE TWO OF YOU CAN'T TEAM UP TO HELP ME FIND MY ELEMENT OF HARMONY?
...
...
FINE! BUT ONLY IF WE DO THINGS BY THE BOOK!
AND ONLY IF WE CAN IMPROVISE AS WE GO ALONG!
YOU KNOW, I'M STARTING TO SEE WHY YOU TWO SPLIT UP.

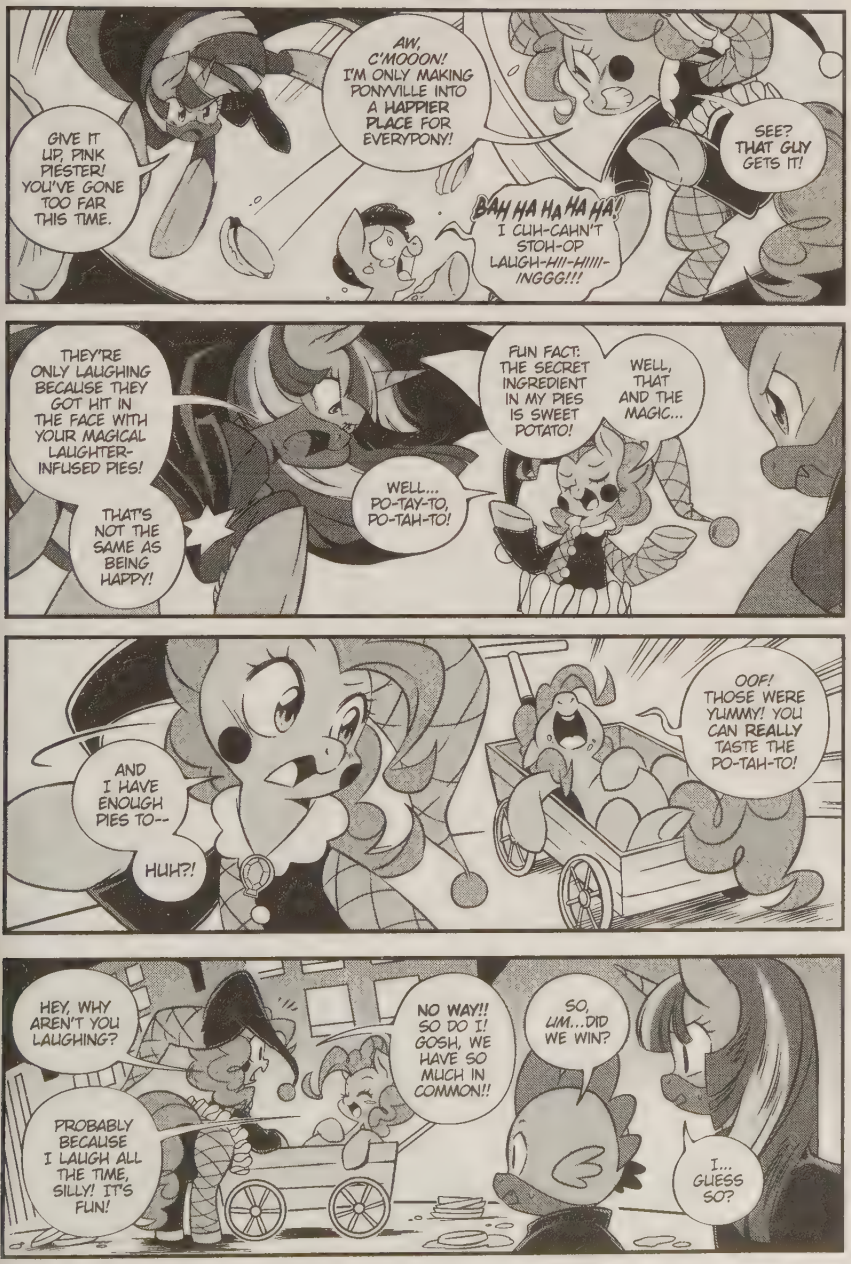
Think Pink


I'VE RAISED SPIKE FROM AN EGG TO BE A FINELY-HONED BLADE OF JUSTICE...
EVER SINCE THE TRAGIC LOSS OF HIS PARENTS IN THAT SUSPICIOUS FLAMING CHAINSAW JUGGLING ACCIDENT.
BUT HE'S GROWN RECKLESS IN HIS PURSUIT OF JUSTICE...A LOOSE CANNON.
SOMBER TWILIGHT TAUGHT ME EVERY-THING I KNOW ABOUT CRIME FIGHTING... BUT HER WAYS ARE TOO RIGID AND UNYIELDING!
SHE ONLY SEES ME AS HER "SIDEKICK" AND NOT THE MATURE CRIME FIGHTER I'VE BECOME!!
I HAVE TO SHOW HIM THE ERROR OF HIS WAYS--AT THE RATE HE'S GOING, HE'S LIKELY TO GET SOMEPONY HURT!
I HAVE TO SHOW HER THAT HER WAY IS NOT THE ONLY WAY. UNTIL THEN...WE CAN NEVER...
AND YET... SPIKE'S A FINE CRIME FIGHTER. I CAN'T JUST SEE HIM AS A LITTLE HATCHLING ANYMORE--I HAVE TO LET HIM FLY ON HIS OWN WINGS.
BUT...IF TWILIGHT IS SO TOUGH ON ME, IT'S BECAUSE, DEEP DOWN, SHE REALLY CARES ABOUT ME.
I SHOULDN'T JUST DISMISS HER LESSONS.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
NOTHIIING...?
WORKING TOGETHER IS
TOP
TRUST
I'M RUNNING OUT OF CRAYONS
THE GREATEST

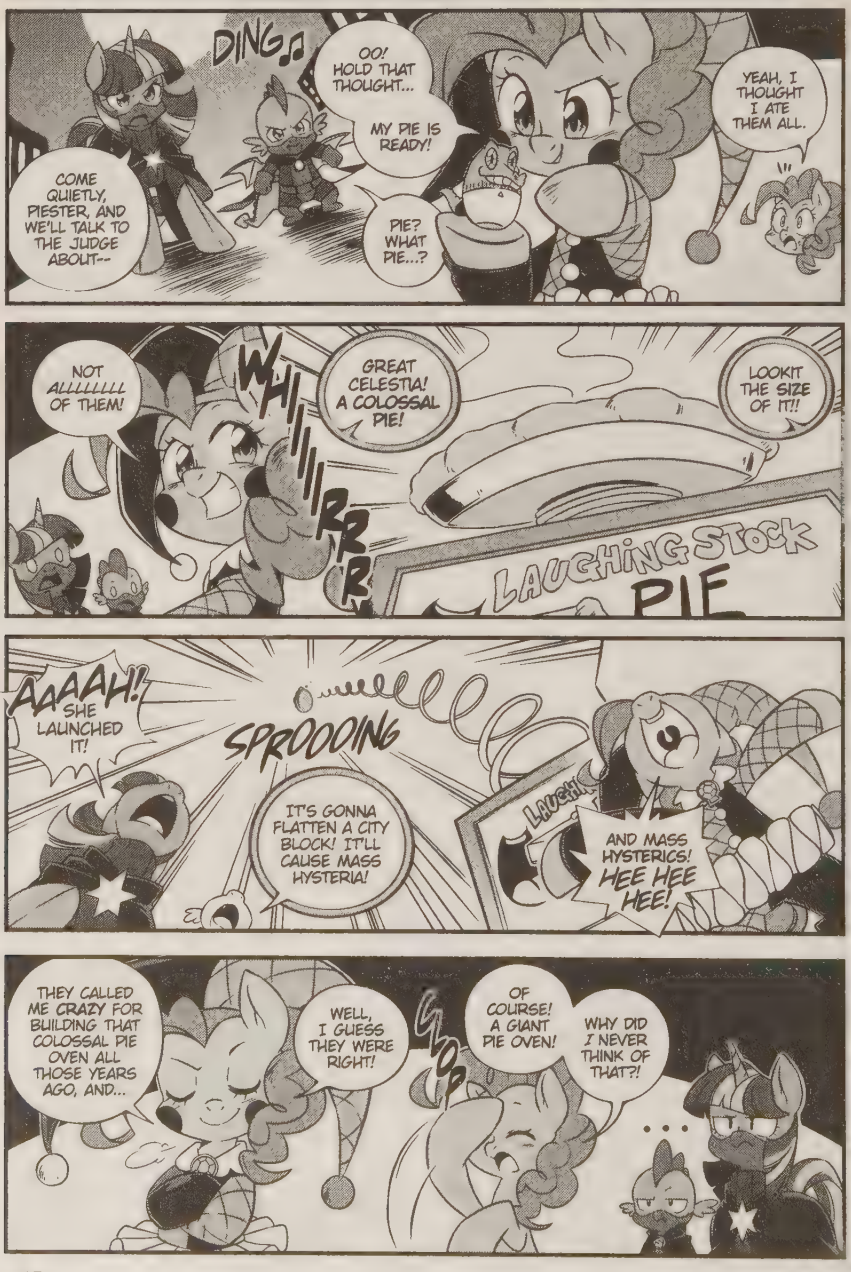
I Spy a Pie in My Little Eye!


HA HA HA HA HA HA!!!
OO! WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE?
DID SOMEONE TELL A FUNNY JOKE?!
THIS IS NO LAUGHING MATTER... LOOK!!!
HEE HEE HEE HEE...
IT'S THE PINK PIESTER!!
Laughing Stock PIE FACTORY
HI, SOMBER TWILIGHT! HI, SPIKE WITH A "Y"! HI, PINKIE THAT ISN'T BUT ALSO IS ME!
THANKS!
HMM, PINK PIESTER! THOSE PIES LOOK DELICIOUS!
D-DON'T ENCOURAGE THE SUPER-VILLAIN!
FLING
FLING
FLING
THOSE PIES! THEY'RE MAKING ANYPONY THAT GETS HIT BY THEM LAUGH UNCONTROLLABLY! BUT...HOW?!
HEY, LOOK--SHE'S WEARING THE ELEMENT OF LAUGHTER!
I KNEW YOU TWO WOULD HELP ME FIND IT!
"LAUGHTER"?! YOU NEVER SAID IT WAS THE ELEMENT OF LAUGHTER!
IN THE PINK PIESTER'S HOOVES, THAT COULD BE EXTREMELY DANGEROUS! TELL ME! WHAT DOES IT DO?!
WELL, TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH, THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY DO PRETTY MUCH WHATEVER THE PLOT NEEDS THEM TO DO.
HUH?
YEAH, WE FIND IT'S BEST NOT TO CALL TOO MUCH ATTENTION TO IT.

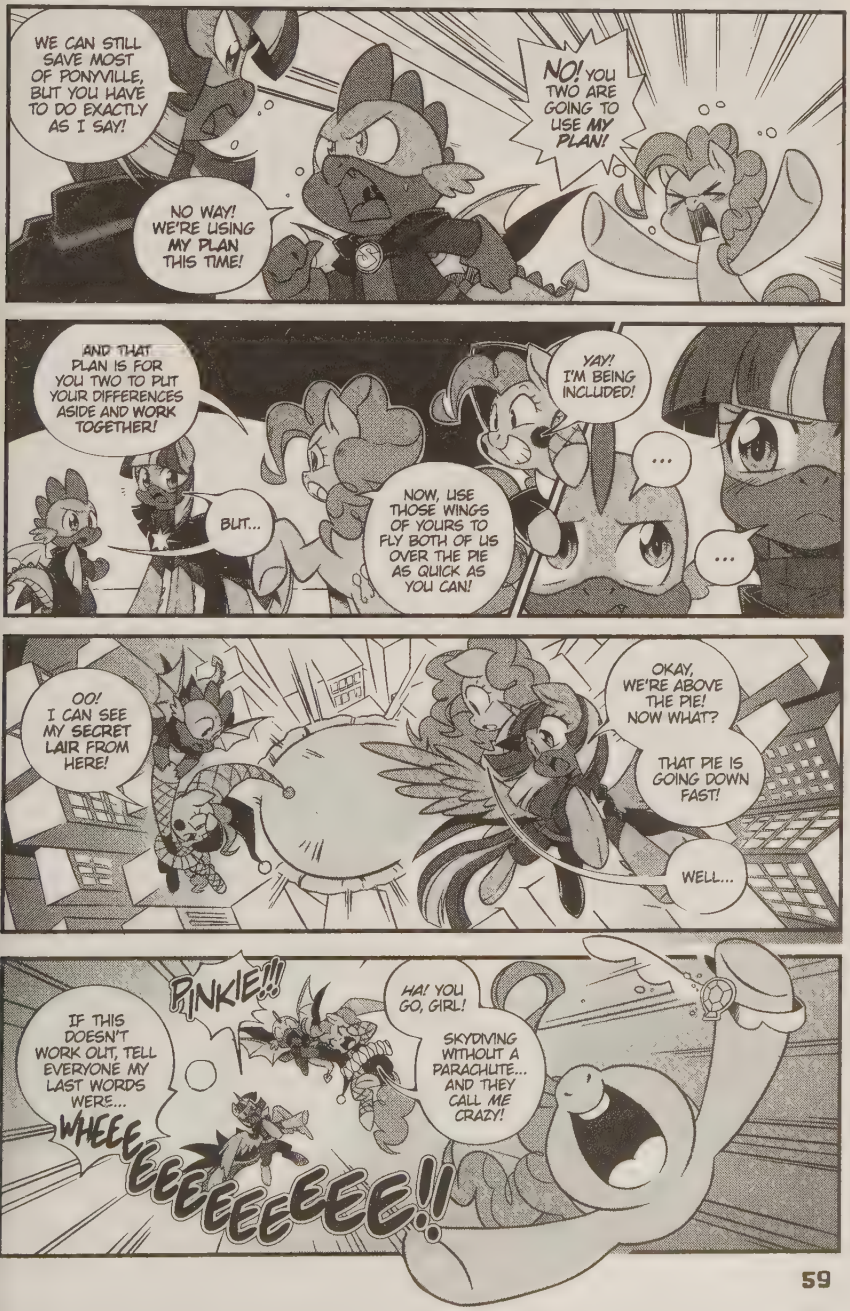
Chewing the Scenery


GIVE IT UP, PINK PIESTER! YOU'VE GONE TOO FAR THIS TIME.
AW, C'MOOON! I'M ONLY MAKING PONYVILLE INTO A HAPPIER PLACE FOR EVERYPONY!
BAH HA HA HA HA! I CUH-CAHN'T STOH-OP LAUGH-HI!-HI!!!-INGGG!!!
SEE? THAT GUY GETS IT!
THEY'RE ONLY LAUGHING BECAUSE THEY GOT HIT IN THE FACE WITH YOUR MAGICAL LAUGHTER-INFUSED PIES!
THAT'S NOT THE SAME AS BEING HAPPY!
WELL... PO-TAY-TO, PO-TAH-TO!
FUN FACT: THE SECRET INGREDIENT IN MY PIES IS SWEET POTATO!
WELL, THAT AND THE MAGIC...
AND I HAVE ENOUGH PIES TO--
HUH?!
OOF! THOSE WERE YUMMY! YOU CAN REALLY TASTE THE PO-TAH-TO!
HEY, WHY AREN'T YOU LAUGHING?
PROBABLY BECAUSE I LAUGH ALL THE TIME, SILLY! IT'S FUN!
NO WAY!! SO DO I! GOSH, WE HAVE SO MUCH IN COMMON!!
SO, UM...DID WE WIN?
I... GUESS SO?

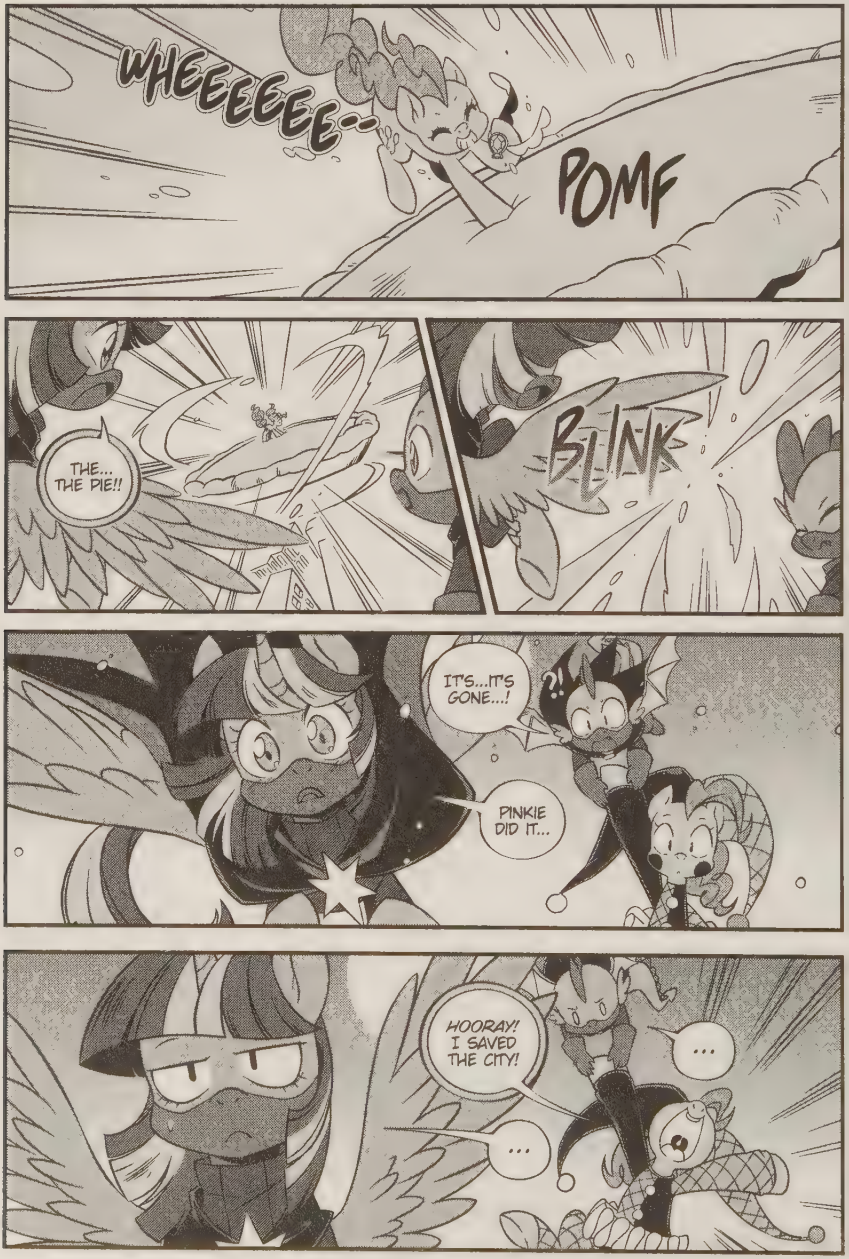
Attack on Pie Tin

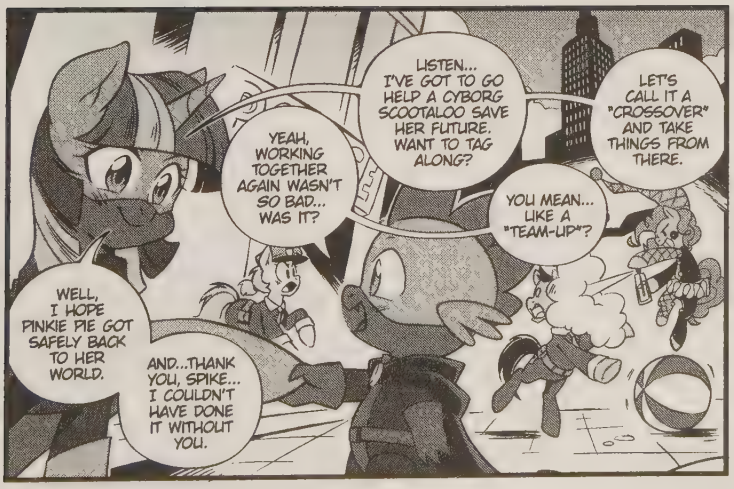

DING♫
COME QUIETLY, PIESTER, AND WE'LL TALK TO THE JUDGE ABOUT--
OO! HOLD THAT THOUGHT...
MY PIE IS READY!
PIE? WHAT PIE...?
YEAH, I THOUGHT I ATE THEM ALL.
NOT ALLLLLLL OF THEM!
WHIIIIIRRR
GREAT CELESTIA! A COLOSSAL PIE!
LOOKIT THE SIZE OF IT!!
LAUGHING STOCK
PIE
AAAAH! SHE LAUNCHED IT!
SPROOOING
IT'S GONNA FLATTEN A CITY BLOCK! IT'LL CAUSE MASS HYSTERIA!
LAUGH!
AND MASS HYSTERICS! HEE HEE HEE!
THEY CALLED ME CRAZY FOR BUILDING THAT COLOSSAL PIE OVEN ALL THOSE YEARS AGO, AND...
WELL, I GUESS THEY WERE RIGHT!
GLOP
OF COURSE! A GIANT PIE OVEN!
WHY DID I NEVER THINK OF THAT?!
...

See You Next Fall

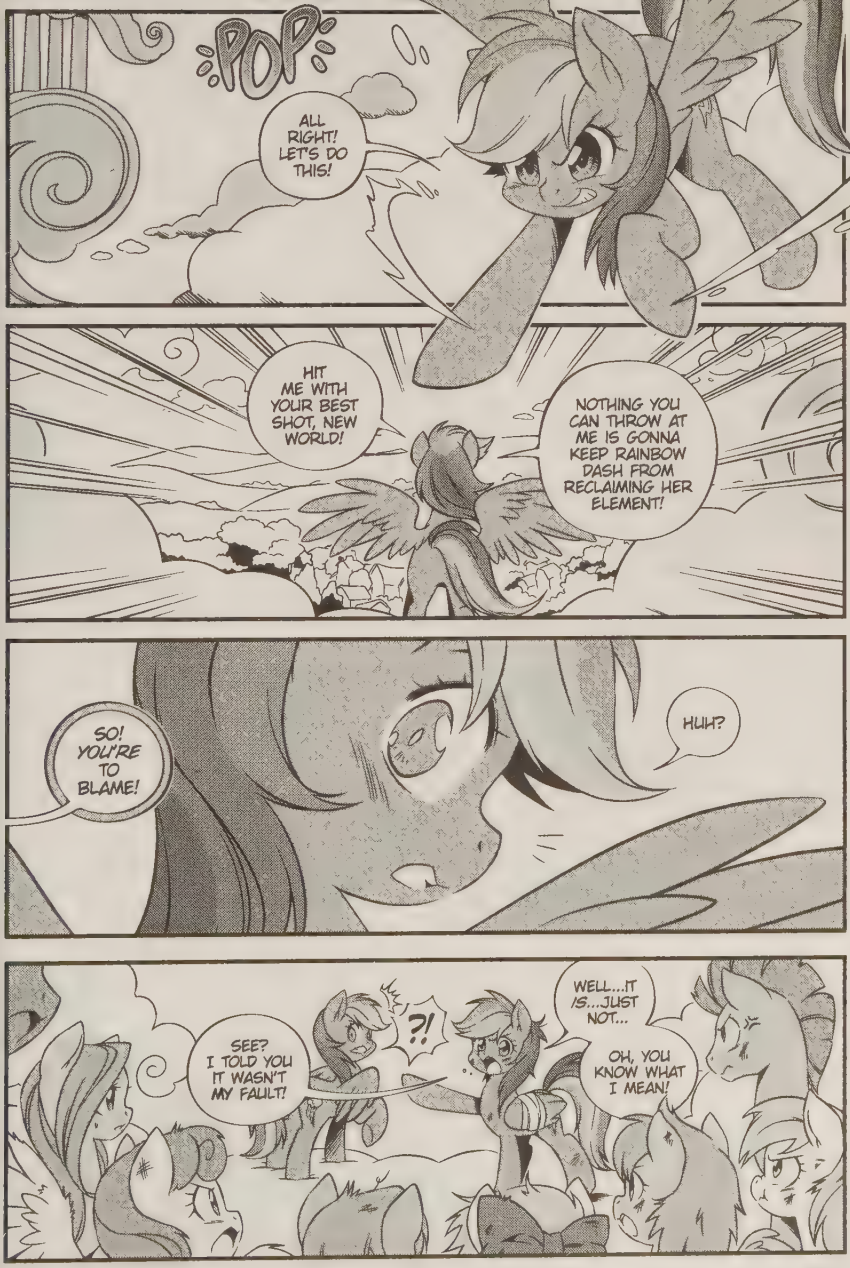

WE CAN STILL SAVE MOST OF PONYVILLE, BUT YOU HAVE TO DO EXACTLY AS I SAY!
NO WAY! WE'RE USING MY PLAN THIS TIME!
NO! YOU TWO ARE GOING TO USE MY PLAN!
AND THAT PLAN IS FOR YOU TWO TO PUT YOUR DIFFERENCES ASIDE AND WORK TOGETHER!
BUT...
NOW, USE THOSE WINGS OF YOURS TO FLY BOTH OF US OVER THE PIE AS QUICK AS YOU CAN!
YAY! I'M BEING INCLUDED!
...
...
OO! I CAN SEE MY SECRET LAIR FROM HERE!
OKAY, WE'RE ABOVE THE PIE! NOW WHAT?
THAT PIE IS GOING DOWN FAST!
WELL...
IF THIS DOESN'T WORK OUT, TELL EVERYONE MY LAST WORDS WERE...
PINKIE!!!
WHEEEEEEEEEEE!!
HA! YOU GO, GIRL!
SKYDIVING WITHOUT A PARACHUTE... AND THEY CALL ME CRAZY!

Crust in the Nick of Time!

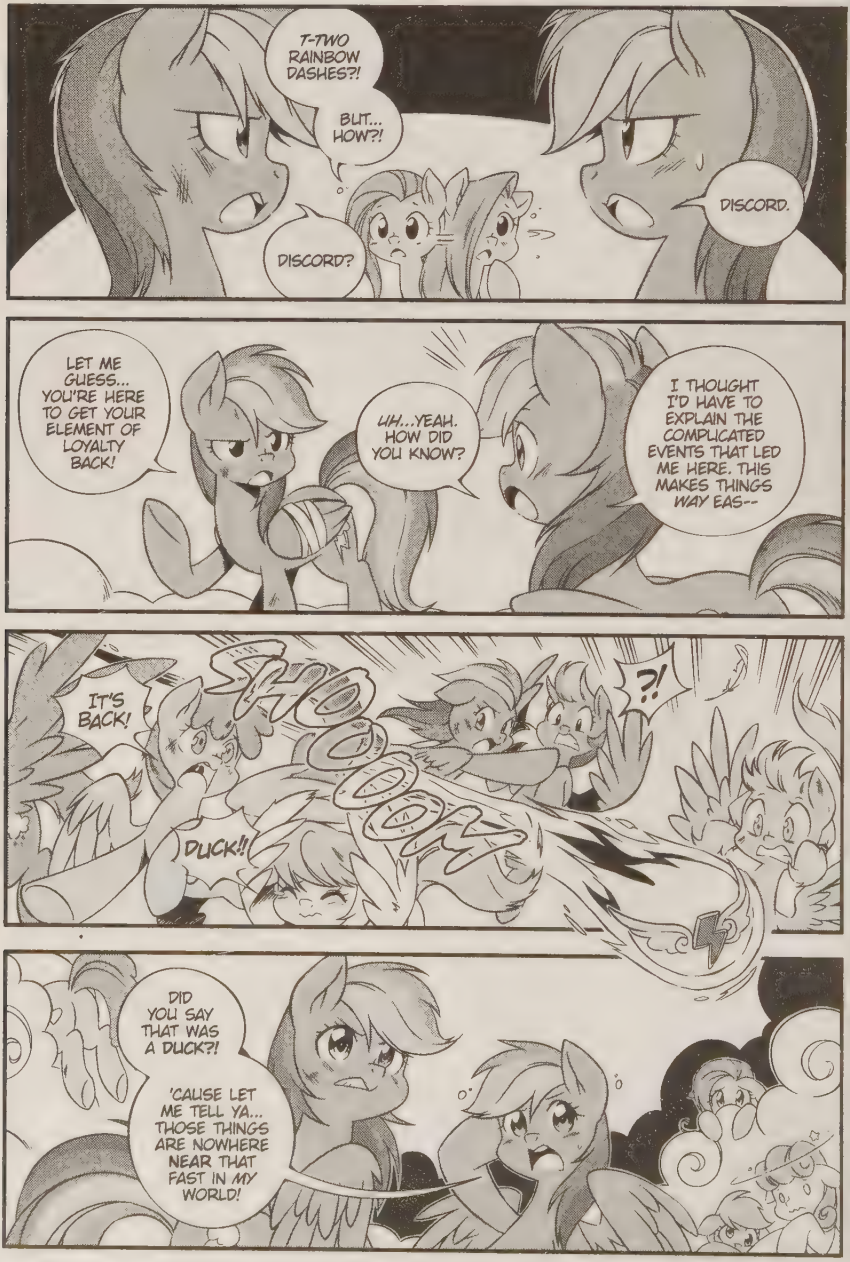



WELL, I HOPE PINKIE PIE GOT SAFELY BACK TO HER WORLD.
AND...THANK YOU, SPIKE... I COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU.
YEAH, WORKING TOGETHER AGAIN WASN'T SO BAD... WAS IT?
LISTEN... I'VE GOT TO GO HELP A CYBORG SCOOTALOO SAVE HER FUTURE. WANT TO TAG ALONG?
YOU MEAN... LIKE A "TEAM-UP"?
LET'S CALL IT A "CROSSOVER" AND TAKE THINGS FROM THERE.

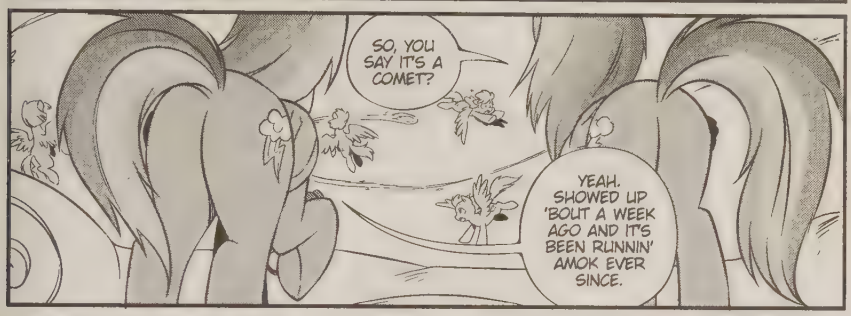
CHAPTER 5


POP
ALL RIGHT! LET'S DO THIS!
HIT ME WITH YOUR BEST SHOT, NEW WORLD!
NOTHING YOU CAN THROW AT ME IS GONNA KEEP RAINBOW DASH FROM RECLAIMING HER ELEMENT!
SO! YOU'RE TO BLAME!
HUH?
SEE? I TOLD YOU IT WASN'T MY FAULT!
?!
WELL...IT IS...JUST NOT...
OH, YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN!

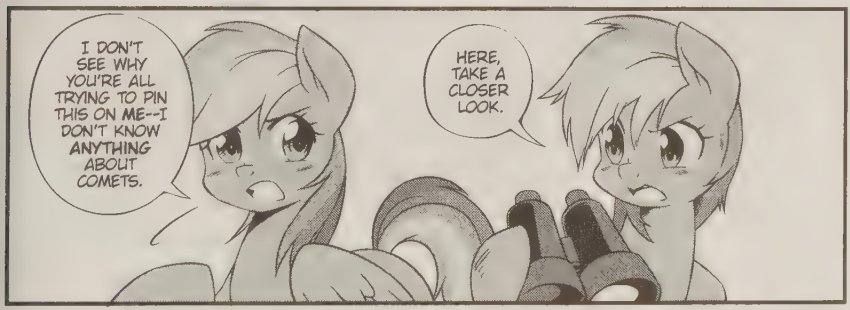
Two of a Kind

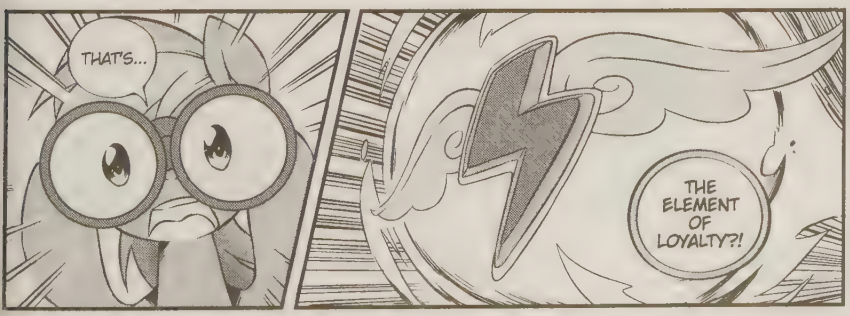

T-TWO RAINBOW DASHES?!
BUT... HOW?!
DISCORD?
DISCORD.
LET ME GUESS... YOU'RE HERE TO GET YOUR ELEMENT OF LOYALTY BACK!
UH...YEAH. HOW DID YOU KNOW?
I THOUGHT I'D HAVE TO EXPLAIN THE COMPLICATED EVENTS THAT LED ME HERE. THIS MAKES THINGS WAY EAS--
IT'S BACK!
SHOOOM
?!
DUCK!!
DID YOU SAY THAT WAS A DUCK?!
'CAUSE LET ME TELL YA... THOSE THINGS ARE NOWHERE NEAR THAT FAST IN MY WORLD!

Star Light, Star Fright



IT'S BEEN TERRIFYING ALL THE BIRDS. THEY'VE BEEN DISCUSSING FLYING SOUTH EARLY THIS YEAR.
THERE, THERE... IT'S ALL RIGHT.
WELL, CAN'T SAY I'VE EVER SEEN A COMET DO ANYTHING LIKE *THAT* BEFORE.





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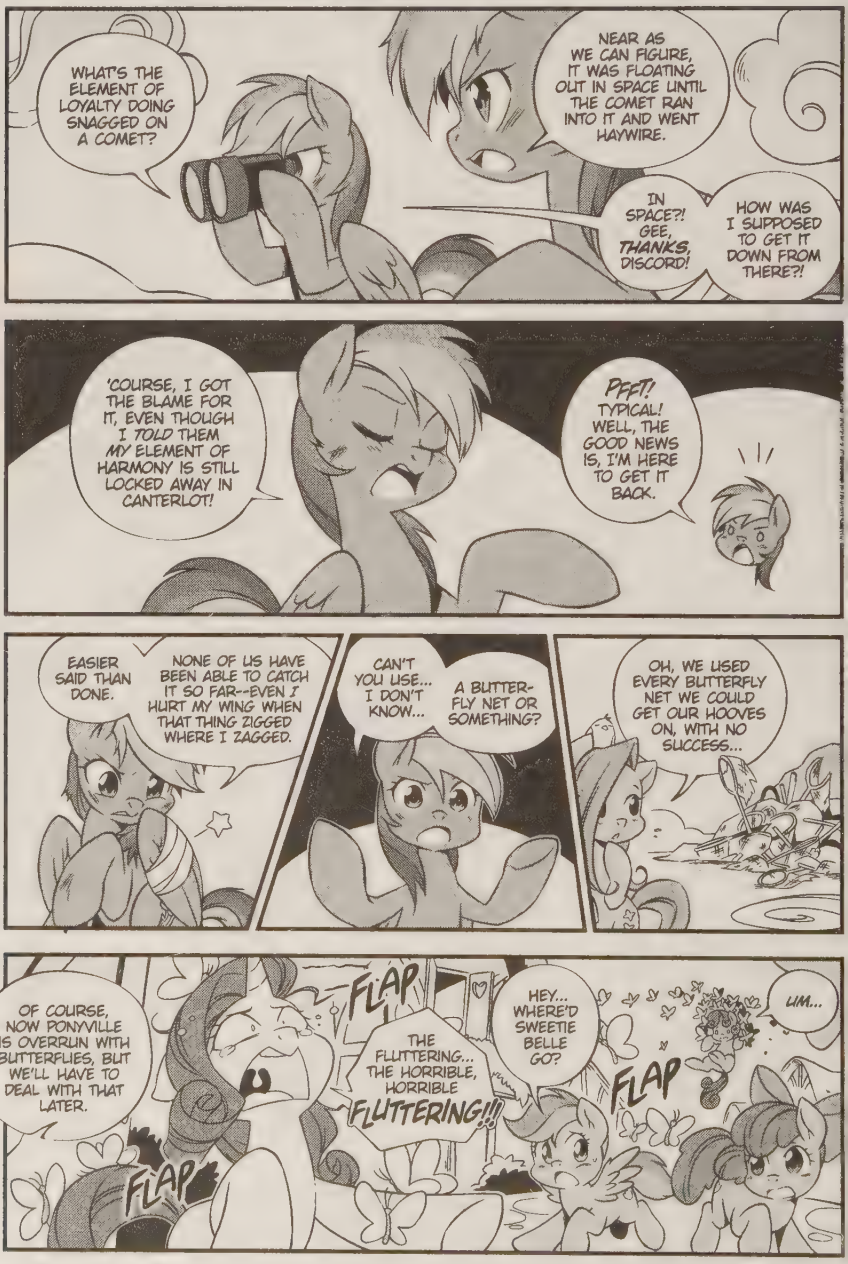
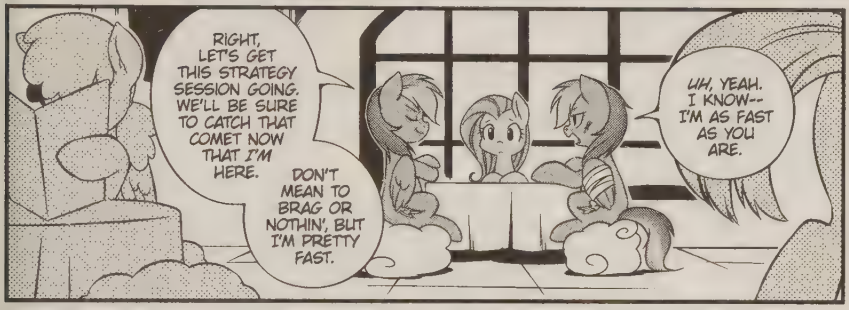
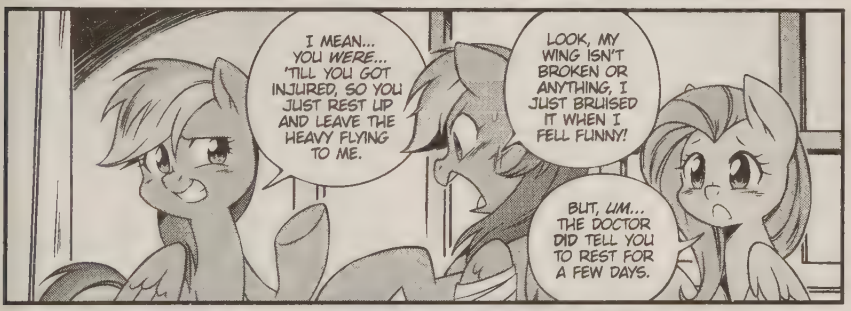
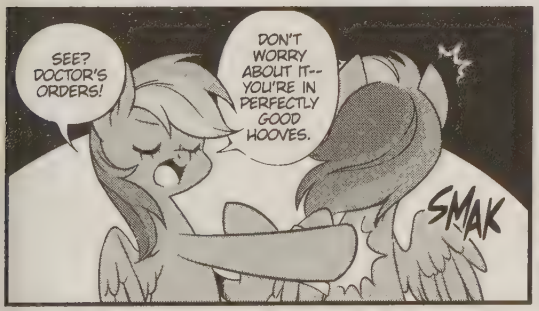
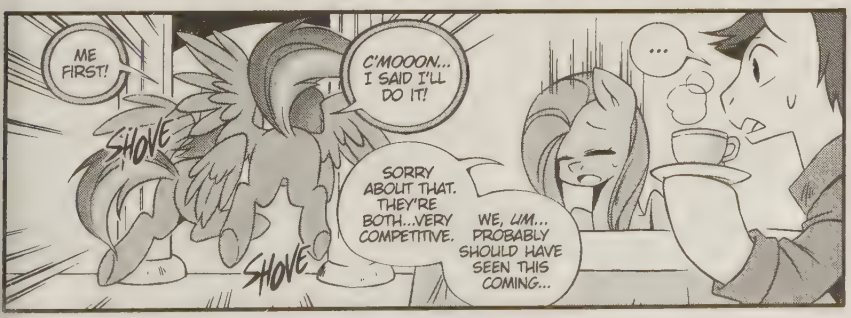

WHAT'S THE ELEMENT OF LOYALTY DOING SNAGGED ON A COMET?
NEAR AS WE CAN FIGURE, IT WAS FLOATING OUT IN SPACE UNTIL THE COMET RAN INTO IT AND WENT HAYWIRE.
IN SPACE?! GEE, THANKS, DISCORD!
HOW WAS I SUPPOSED TO GET IT DOWN FROM THERE?!
'COURSE, I GOT THE BLAME FOR IT, EVEN THOUGH I TOLD THEM MY ELEMENT OF HARMONY IS STILL LOCKED AWAY IN CANTERLOT!
PFFT! TYPICAL! WELL, THE GOOD NEWS IS, I'M HERE TO GET IT BACK.
EASIER SAID THAN DONE.
NONE OF US HAVE BEEN ABLE TO CATCH IT SO FAR--EVEN I HURT MY WING WHEN THAT THING ZIGGED WHERE I ZAGGED.
CAN'T YOU USE... I DON'T KNOW...
A BUTTERFLY NET OR SOMETHING?
OH, WE USED EVERY BUTTERFLY NET WE COULD GET OUR HOOVES ON, WITH NO SUCCESS...
OF COURSE, NOW PONYVILLE IS OVERRUN WITH BUTTERFLIES, BUT WE'LL HAVE TO DEAL WITH THAT LATER.
FLAP
FLAP
THE FLUTTERING... THE HORRIBLE, HORRIBLE FLUTTERING!!!
HEY... WHERE'D SWEETIE BELLE GO?
FLAP
UM...

Stuck in the Middle with You

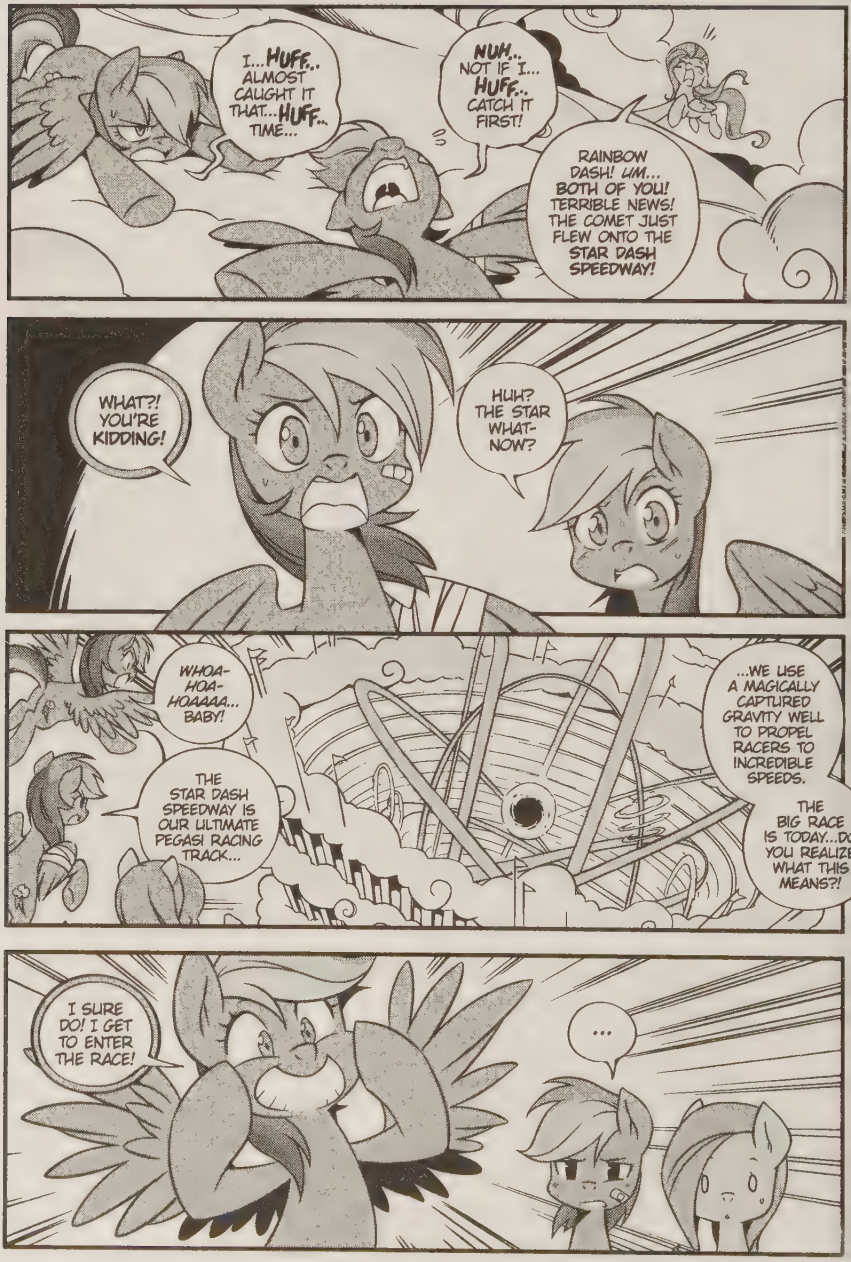

RIGHT, LET'S GET THIS STRATEGY SESSION GOING. WE'LL BE SURE TO CATCH THAT COMET NOW THAT I'M HERE.
DON'T MEAN TO BRAG OR NOTHIN', BUT I'M PRETTY FAST.
UH, YEAH. I KNOW-- I'M AS FAST AS YOU ARE.


I MEAN... YOU WERE... 'TILL YOU GOT INJURED, SO YOU JUST REST UP AND LEAVE THE HEAVY FLYING TO ME.
LOOK, MY WING ISN'T BROKEN OR ANYTHING, I JUST BRUISED IT WHEN I FELL FUNNY!
BUT, UM... THE DOCTOR DID TELL YOU TO REST FOR A FEW DAYS.

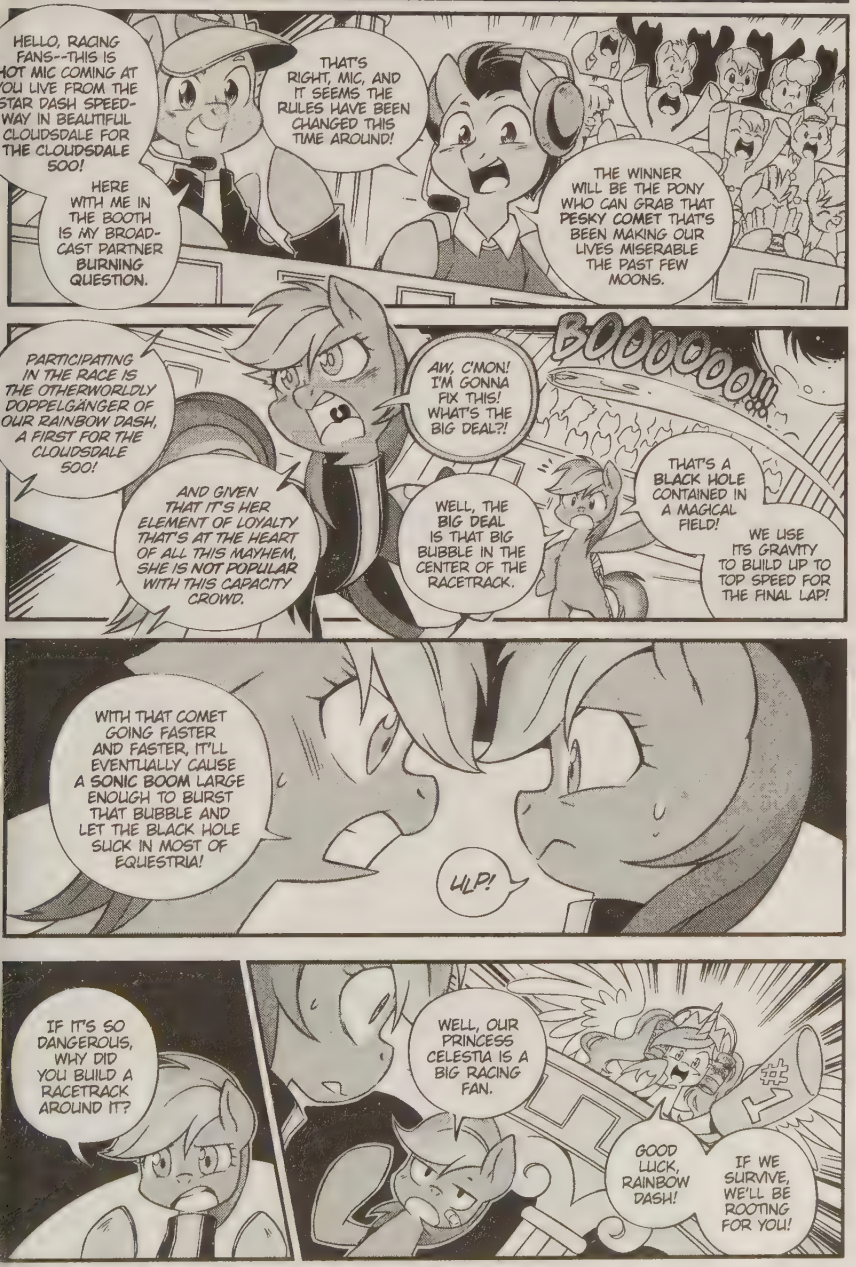




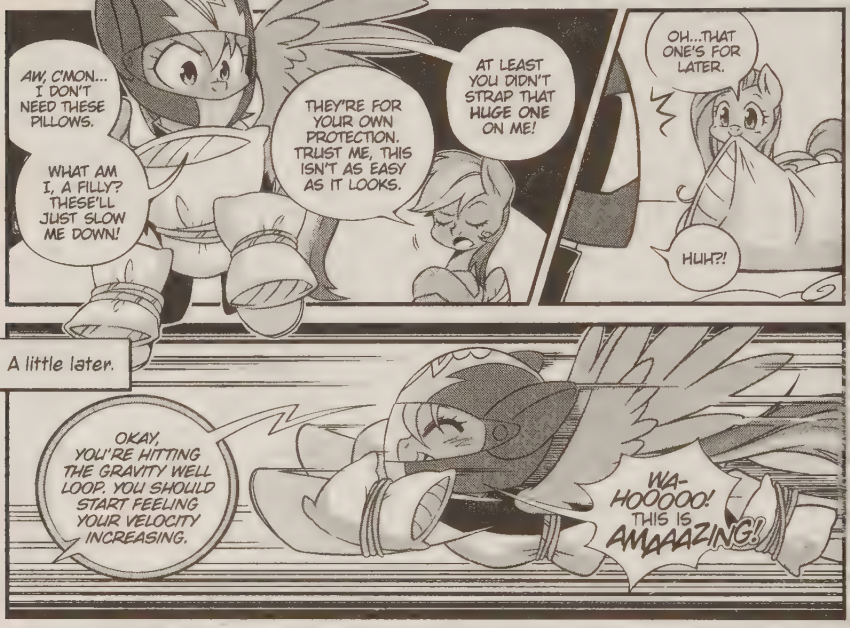
Raising the Stakes


I...HUFF... ALMOST CAUGHT IT THAT...HUFF... TIME...
NUH... NOT IF I... HUFF... CATCH IT FIRST!
RAINBOW DASH! UM... BOTH OF YOU! TERRIBLE NEWS! THE COMET JUST FLEW ONTO THE STAR DASH SPEEDWAY!
WHAT?! YOU'RE KIDDING!
HUH? THE STAR WHAT-NOW?
WHOA-HOA-HOAAAA... BABY!
THE STAR DASH SPEEDWAY IS OUR ULTIMATE PEGASI RACING TRACK...
...WE USE A MAGICALLY CAPTURED GRAVITY WELL TO PROPEL RACERS TO INCREDIBLE SPEEDS.
THE BIG RACE IS TODAY...DO YOU REALIZE WHAT THIS MEANS?!
I SURE DO! I GET TO ENTER THE RACE!
...

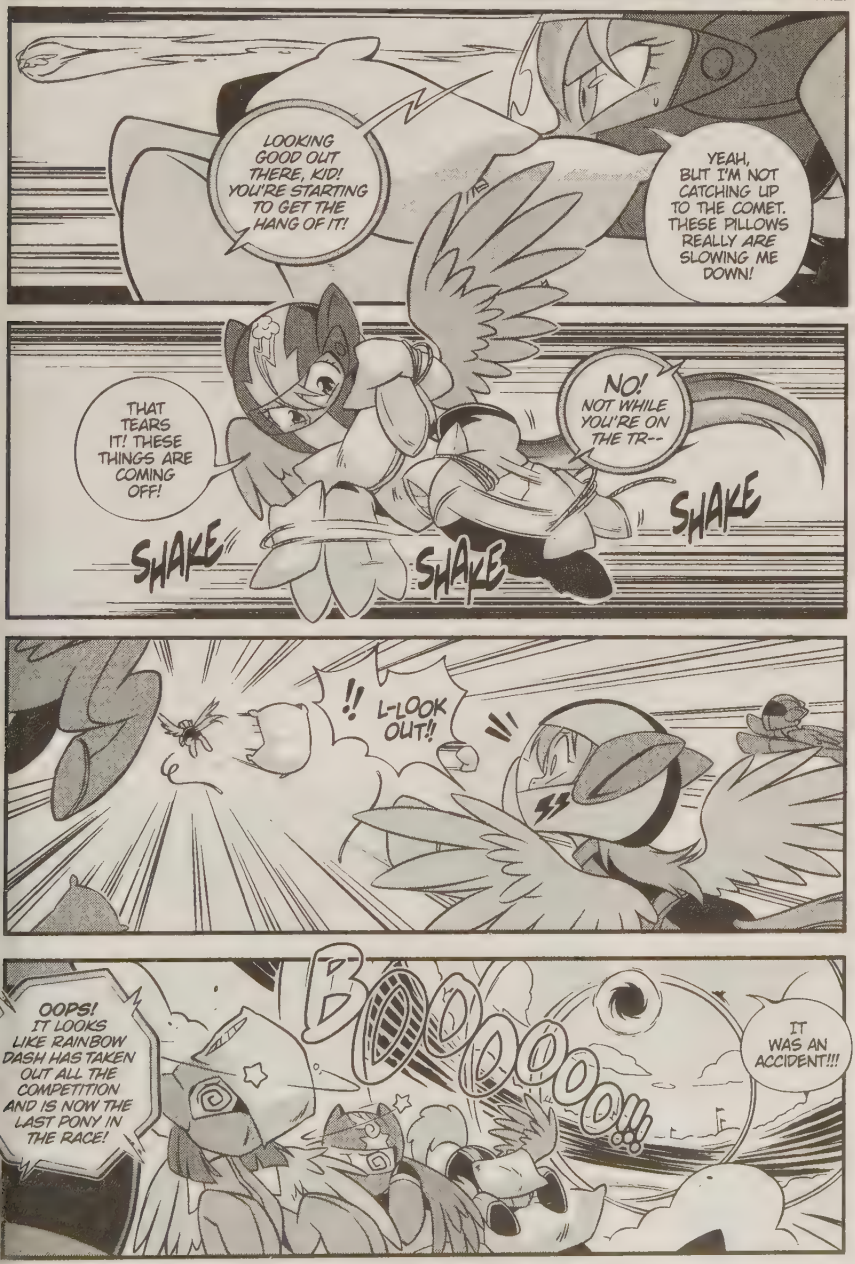
Sorry to Burst Your Bubble


HELLO, RACING FANS--THIS IS HOT MIC COMING AT YOU LIVE FROM THE STAR DASH SPEEDWAY IN BEAUTIFUL CLOUDSDALE FOR THE CLOUDSDALE 500!
HERE WITH ME IN THE BOOTH IS MY BROADCAST PARTNER BURNING QUESTION.
THAT'S RIGHT, MIC, AND IT SEEMS THE RULES HAVE BEEN CHANGED THIS TIME AROUND!
THE WINNER WILL BE THE PONY WHO CAN GRAB THAT PESKY COMET THAT'S BEEN MAKING OUR LIVES MISERABLE THE PAST FEW MOONS.
PARTICIPATING IN THE RACE IS THE OTHERWORLDLY DOPPELGÄNGER OF OUR RAINBOW DASH, A FIRST FOR THE CLOUDSDALE 500!
AND GIVEN THAT IT'S HER ELEMENT OF LOYALTY THAT'S AT THE HEART OF ALL THIS MAYHEM, SHE IS NOT POPULAR WITH THIS CAPACITY CROWD.
AW, C'MON! I'M GONNA FIX THIS! WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?!
WELL, THE BIG DEAL IS THAT BIG BUBBLE IN THE CENTER OF THE RACETRACK.
BOOOOOO!!!
THAT'S A BLACK HOLE CONTAINED IN A MAGICAL FIELD!
WE USE ITS GRAVITY TO BUILD UP TO TOP SPEED FOR THE FINAL LAP!
WITH THAT COMET GOING FASTER AND FASTER, IT'LL EVENTUALLY CAUSE A SONIC BOOM LARGE ENOUGH TO BURST THAT BUBBLE AND LET THE BLACK HOLE SUCK IN MOST OF EQUESTRIA!
GULP!
IF IT'S SO DANGEROUS, WHY DID YOU BUILD A RACETRACK AROUND IT?
WELL, OUR PRINCESS CELESTIA IS A BIG RACING FAN.
GOOD LUCK, RAINBOW DASH!
IF WE SURVIVE, WE'LL BE ROOTING FOR YOU!

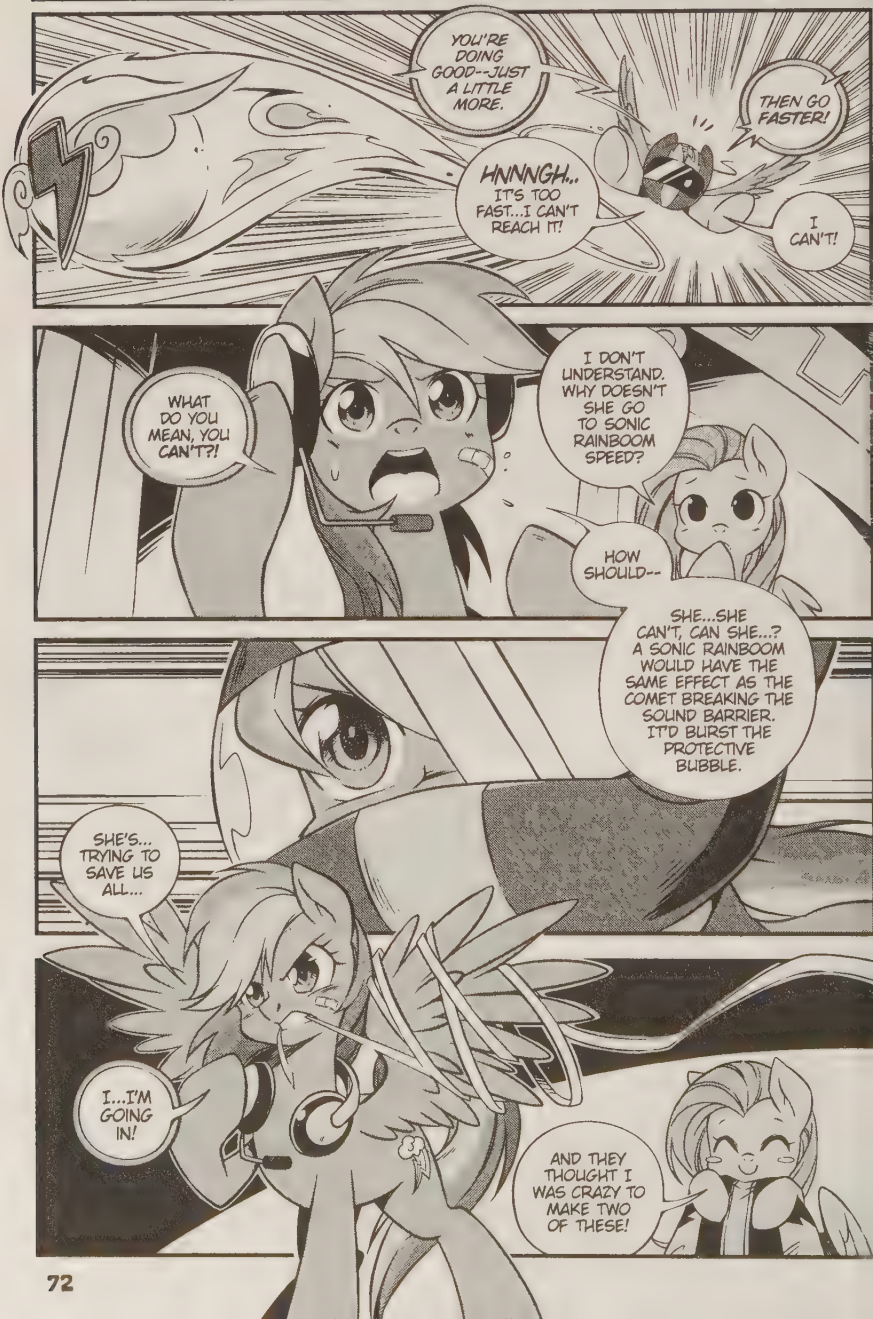
A Tough Pill(ow) to Swallow


AW, C'MON... I DON'T NEED THESE PILLOWS.
WHAT AM I, A FILLY? THESE'LL JUST SLOW ME DOWN!
THEY'RE FOR YOUR OWN PROTECTION. TRUST ME, THIS ISN'T AS EASY AS IT LOOKS.
AT LEAST YOU DIDN'T STRAP THAT HUGE ONE ON ME!
OH...THAT ONE'S FOR LATER.
HUH?!
A little later.
OKAY, YOU'RE HITTING THE GRAVITY WELL LOOP. YOU SHOULD START FEELING YOUR VELOCITY INCREASING.
WA-HOOOOO! THIS IS AMAAAZING!
OKAY... DEFINITELY SPEEDING UP A LITTLE OVER HERE...
HNNNNN... THAT TURN IS COMIN' UP REAL FAAAAAAST...!!
STILL THINK PILLOWS ARE FOR FILLIES?
I'M WILLING TO GIVE THEM A SECOND CHANCE...
OO! I'LL GO GET THE EXTRA FLUFFY ONES.

Pony Pileup


LOOKING GOOD OUT THERE, KID! YOU'RE STARTING TO GET THE HANG OF IT!
YEAH, BUT I'M NOT CATCHING UP TO THE COMET. THESE PILLOWS REALLY ARE SLOWING ME DOWN!
THAT TEARS IT! THESE THINGS ARE COMING OFF!
NO! NOT WHILE YOU'RE ON THE TR--
SHAKE
SHAKE
SHAKE
!!
L-LOOK OUT!!
OOPS! IT LOOKS LIKE RAINBOW DASH HAS TAKEN OUT ALL THE COMPETITION AND IS NOW THE LAST PONY IN THE RACE!
BOOOOOO!!!
IT WAS AN ACCIDENT!!!

Blast from the Fast


YOU'RE DOING GOOD--JUST A LITTLE MORE.
THEN GO FASTER!
HNNNGH... IT'S TOO FAST...I CAN'T REACH IT!
I CAN'T!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, YOU CAN'T?!
I DON'T UNDERSTAND. WHY DOESN'T SHE GO TO SONIC RAINBOOM SPEED?
HOW SHOULD--
SHE...SHE CAN'T, CAN SHE...? A SONIC RAINBOOM WOULD HAVE THE SAME EFFECT AS THE COMET BREAKING THE SOUND BARRIER. IT'D BURST THE PROTECTIVE BUBBLE.
SHE'S... TRYING TO SAVE US ALL...
I...I'M GOING IN!
AND THEY THOUGHT I WAS CRAZY TO MAKE TWO OF THESE!

The Gravity of the Situation

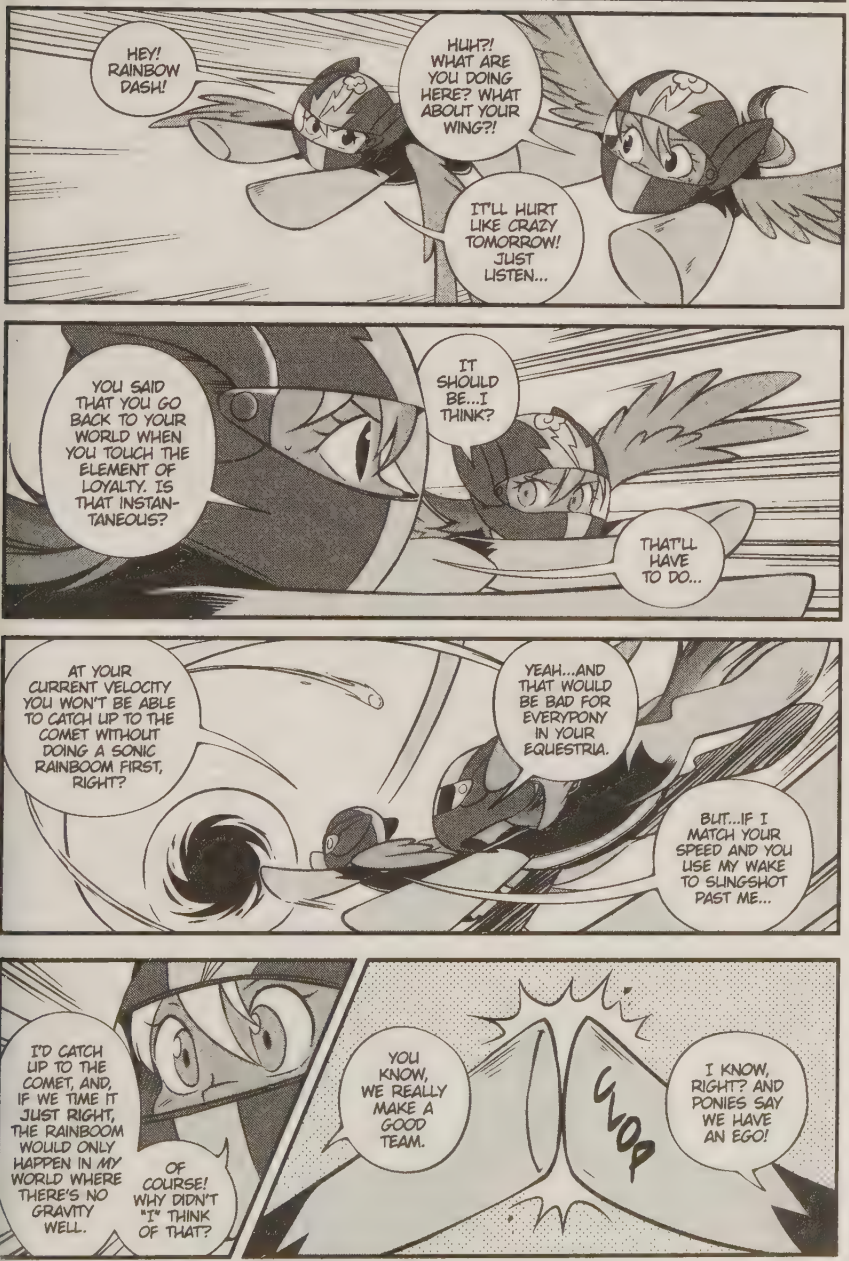
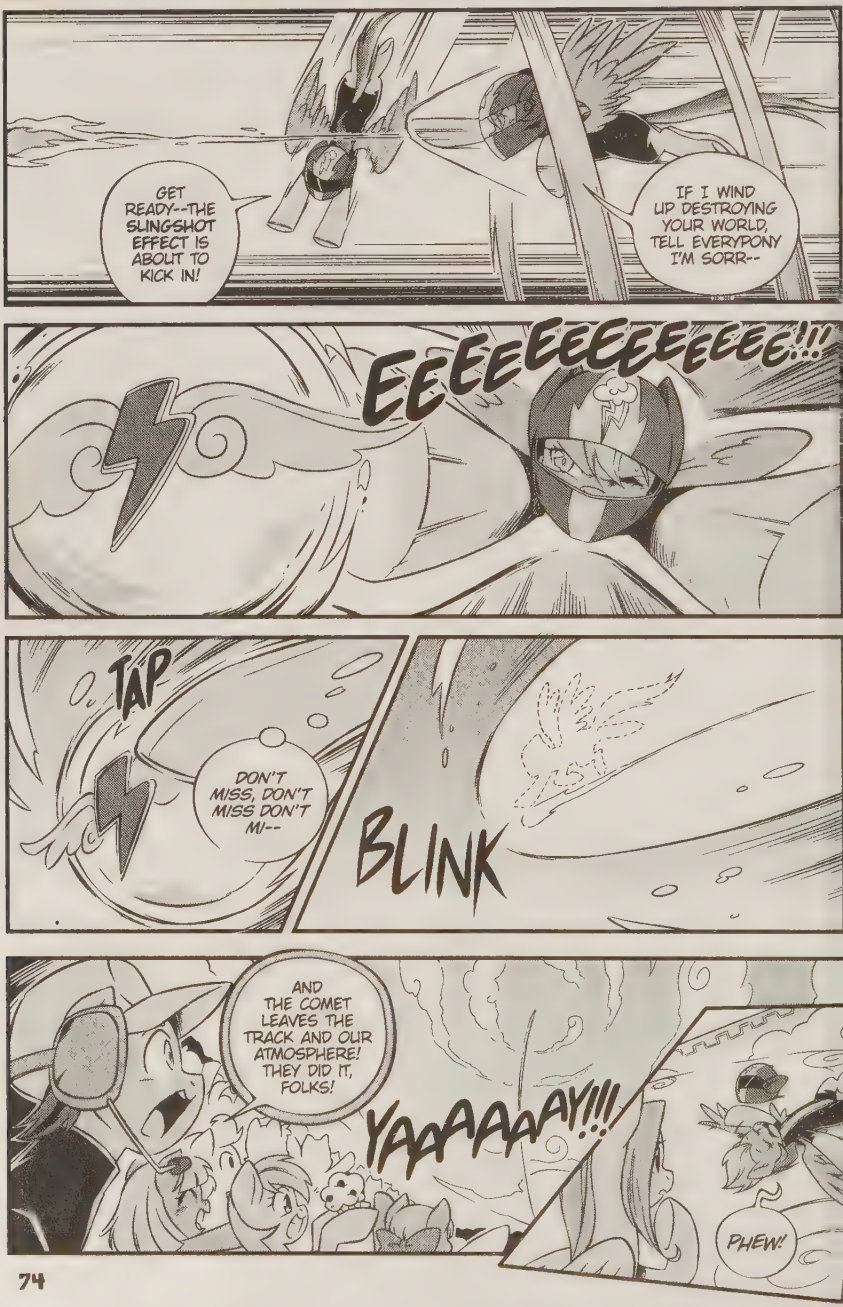

HEY! RAINBOW DASH!
HUH?! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? WHAT ABOUT YOUR WING?!
IT'LL HURT LIKE CRAZY TOMORROW! JUST LISTEN...
YOU SAID THAT YOU GO BACK TO YOUR WORLD WHEN YOU TOUCH THE ELEMENT OF LOYALTY. IS THAT INSTANTANEOUS?
IT SHOULD BE...I THINK?
THAT'LL HAVE TO DO...
AT YOUR CURRENT VELOCITY YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO CATCH UP TO THE COMET WITHOUT DOING A SONIC RAINBOOM FIRST, RIGHT?
YEAH...AND THAT WOULD BE BAD FOR EVERYPONY IN YOUR EQUESTRIA.
BUT...IF I MATCH YOUR SPEED AND YOU USE MY WAKE TO SLINGSHOT PAST ME...
I'D CATCH UP TO THE COMET, AND, IF WE TIME IT JUST RIGHT, THE RAINBOOM WOULD ONLY HAPPEN IN MY WORLD WHERE THERE'S NO GRAVITY WELL.
OF COURSE! WHY DIDN'T "I" THINK OF THAT?
YOU KNOW, WE REALLY MAKE A GOOD TEAM.
WOOP
I KNOW, RIGHT? AND PONIES SAY WE HAVE AN EGO!

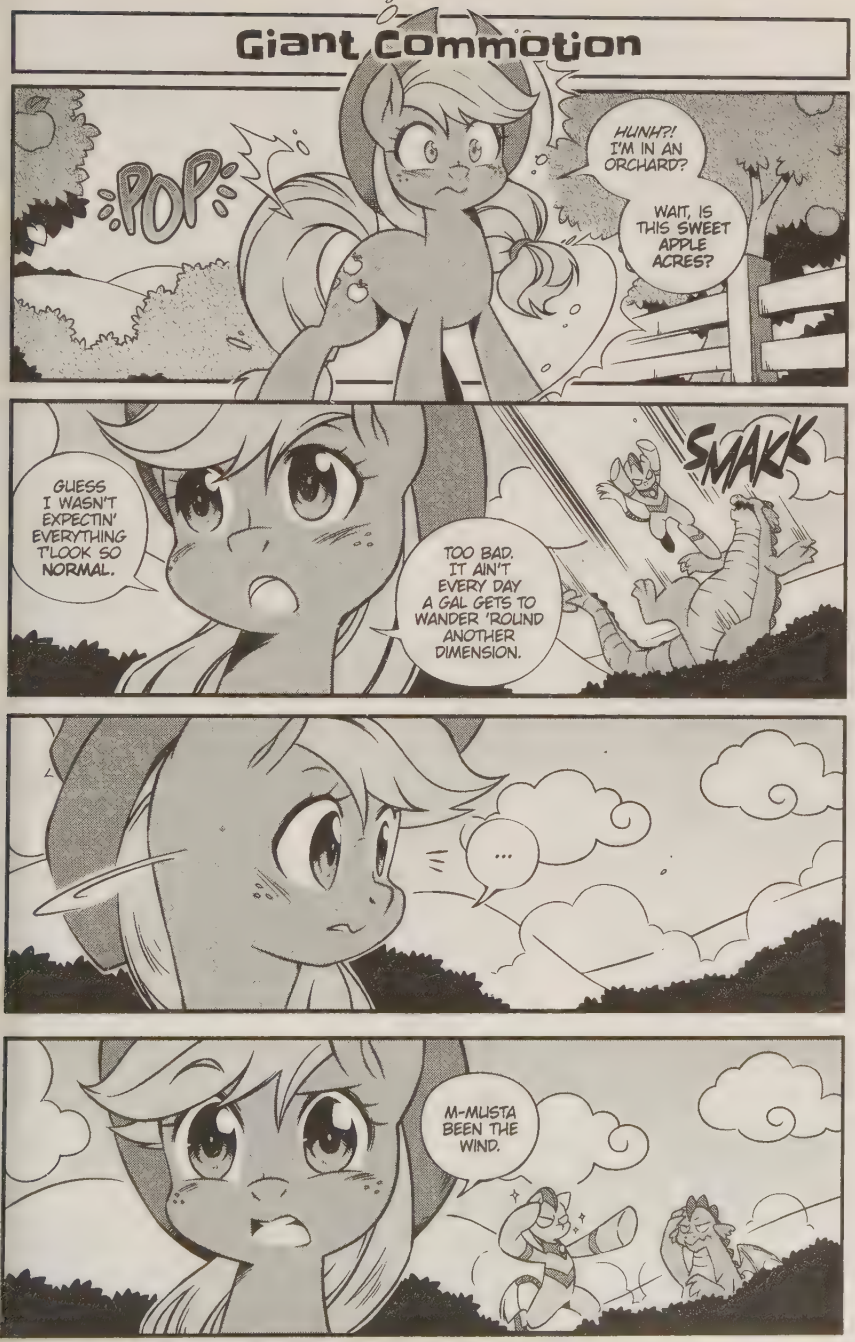
Photo Finish


GET READY--THE SLINGSHOT EFFECT IS ABOUT TO KICK IN!
IF I WIND UP DESTROYING YOUR WORLD, TELL EVERYPONY I'M SORR--
EEEEEEEEEEEEE!!!
TAP
DON'T MISS, DON'T MISS DON'T MI--
BLINK
AND THE COMET LEAVES THE TRACK AND OUR ATMOSPHERE! THEY DID IT, FOLKS!
YAAAAAAY!!!
PHEW!

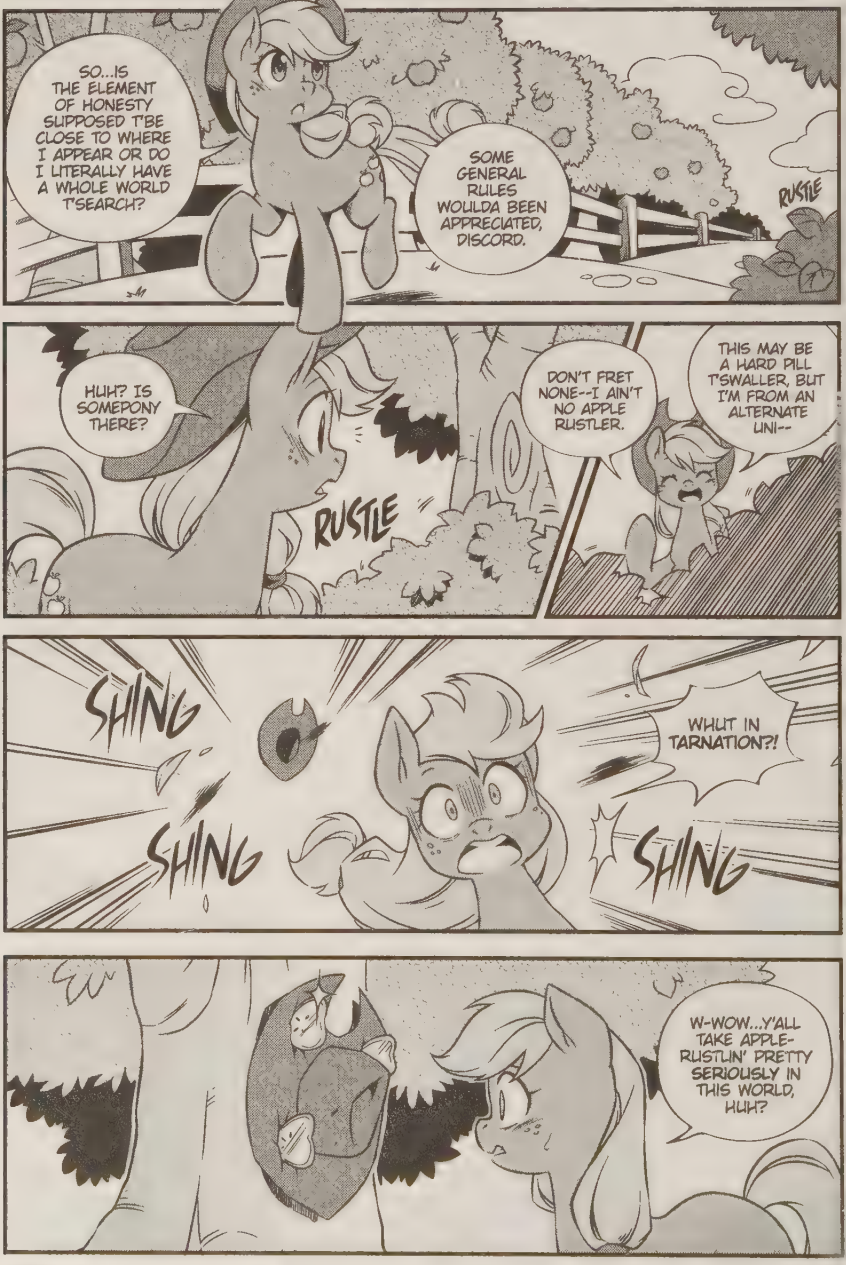
WELL, AS THE LAST PONY STANDING, I HUMBLY ACCEPT FIRST PLACE IN THE CLOUDSDALE 500.
BUT REALLY, I DEDICATE THIS AWARD TO THE OTHER RAINBOW DASH, WHO THROUGH HER ACTIONS SAVED EQUESTRIA, AS WELL AS ALL THE OTHER BRAVE RACERS WHO PITCHED IN TO HELP.
THIS TROPHY BELONGS TO ALL OF YOU!
YAAAAAAY!
BUT, UM... JUST SO WE'RE CLEAR... I'LL STILL BE KEEPING THE TROPHY AT MY PLACE.

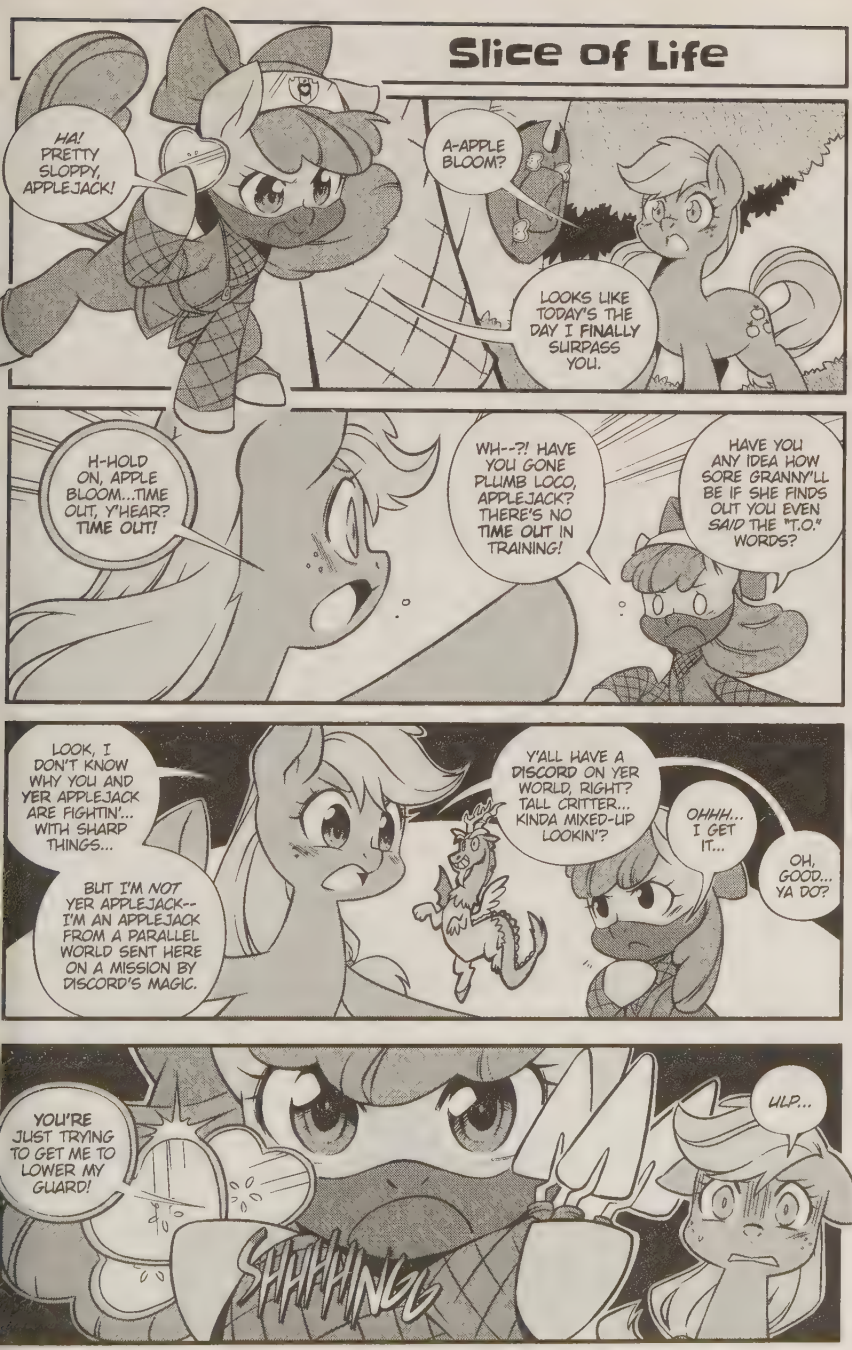
CHAPTER 6

Giant Commotion

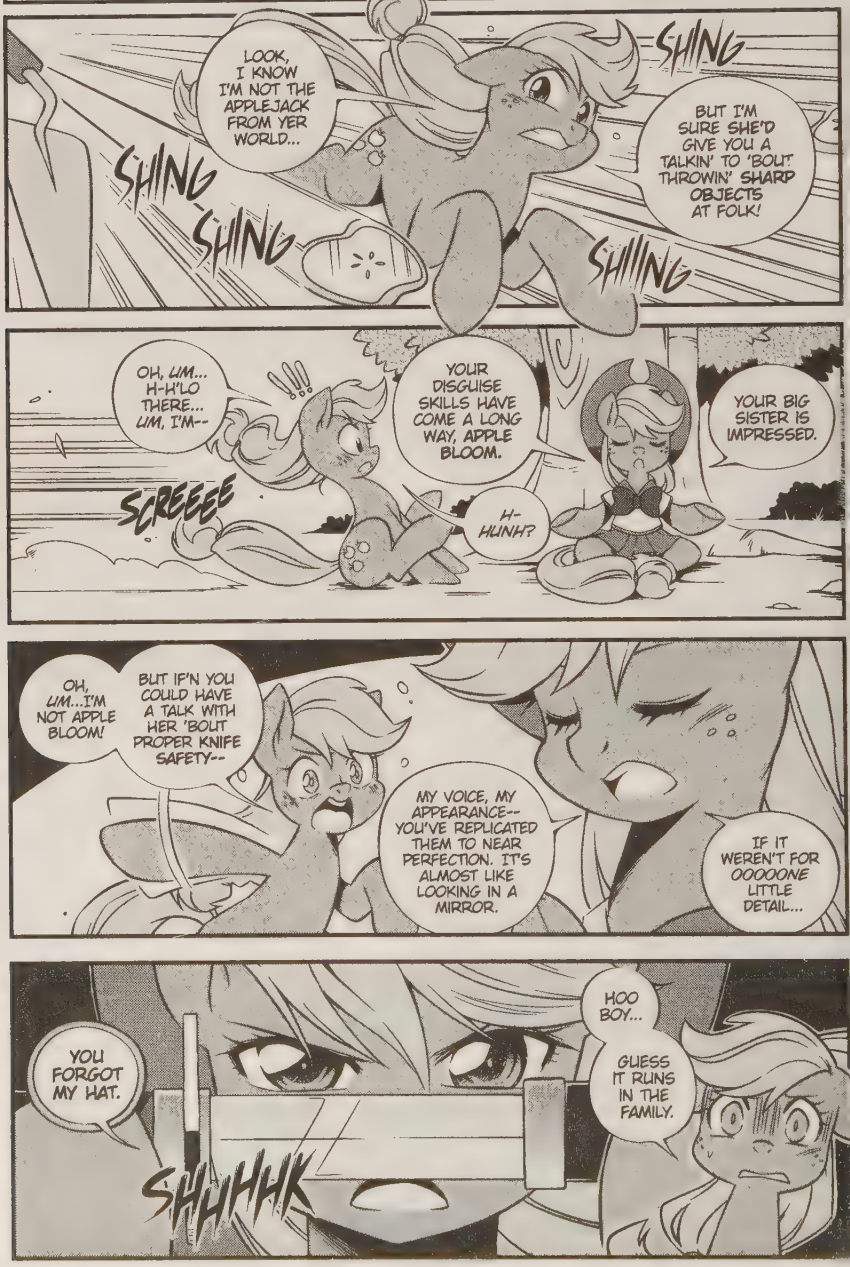

POP
HUNH?! I'M IN AN ORCHARD?
WAIT, IS THIS SWEET APPLE ACRES?
GUESS I WASN'T EXPECTIN' EVERYTHING T'LOOK SO NORMAL.
TOO BAD. IT AIN'T EVERY DAY A GAL GETS TO WANDER 'ROUND ANOTHER DIMENSION.
SMAKK
...
M-MUSTA BEEN THE WIND.

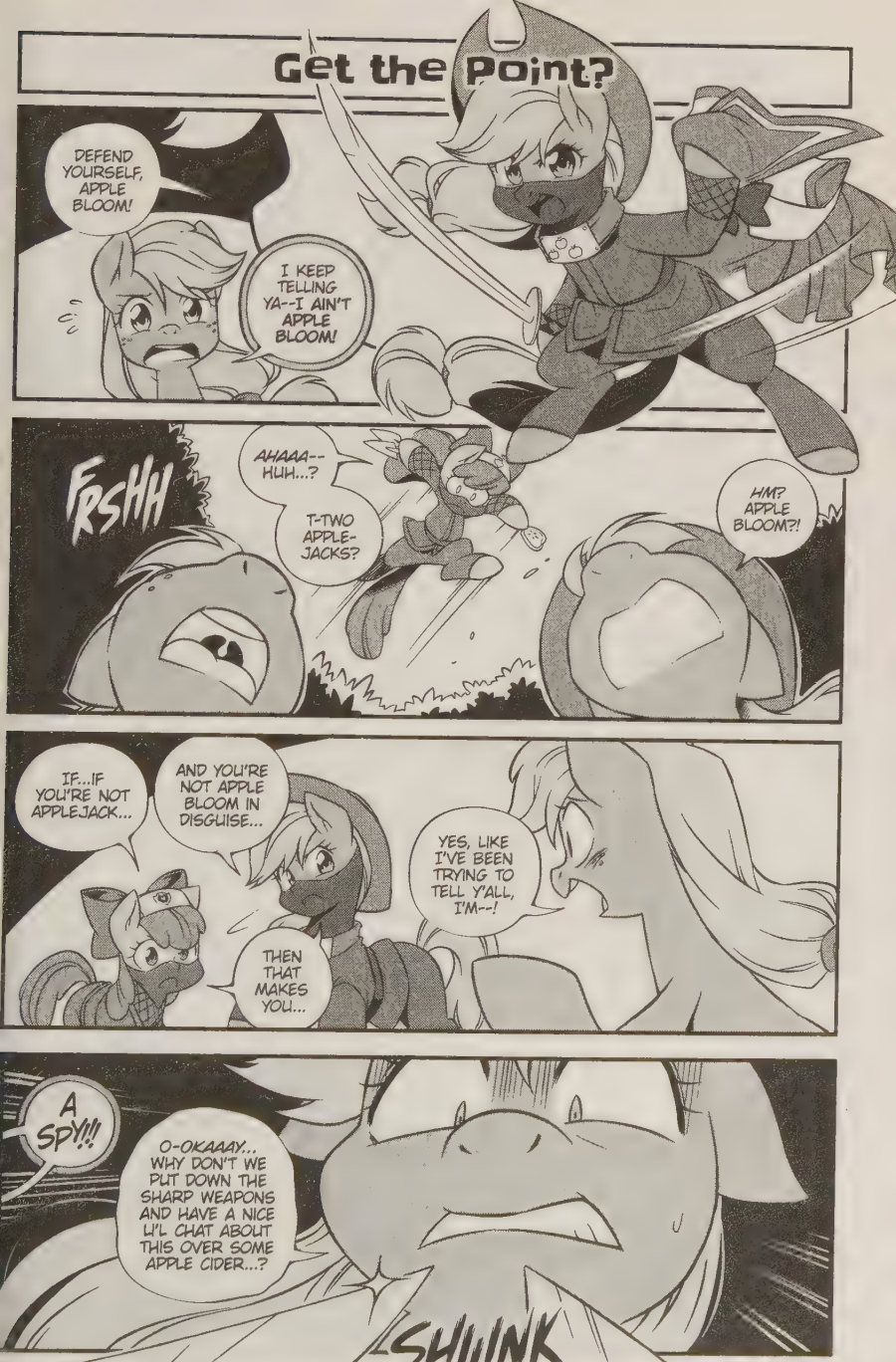
Didn't Make the Cut


SO...IS THE ELEMENT OF HONESTY SUPPOSED T'BE CLOSE TO WHERE I APPEAR OR DO I LITERALLY HAVE A WHOLE WORLD T'SEARCH?
SOME GENERAL RULES WOULDA BEEN APPRECIATED, DISCORD.
RUSTLE
HUH? IS SOMEPONY THERE?
RUSTLE
DON'T FRET NONE--I AIN'T NO APPLE RUSTLER.
THIS MAY BE A HARD PILL T'SWALLER, BUT I'M FROM AN ALTERNATE UNI--
SHING
SHING
SHING
WHUT IN TARNATION?!
W-WOW...Y'ALL TAKE APPLE-RUSTLIN' PRETTY SERIOUSLY IN THIS WORLD, HUH?

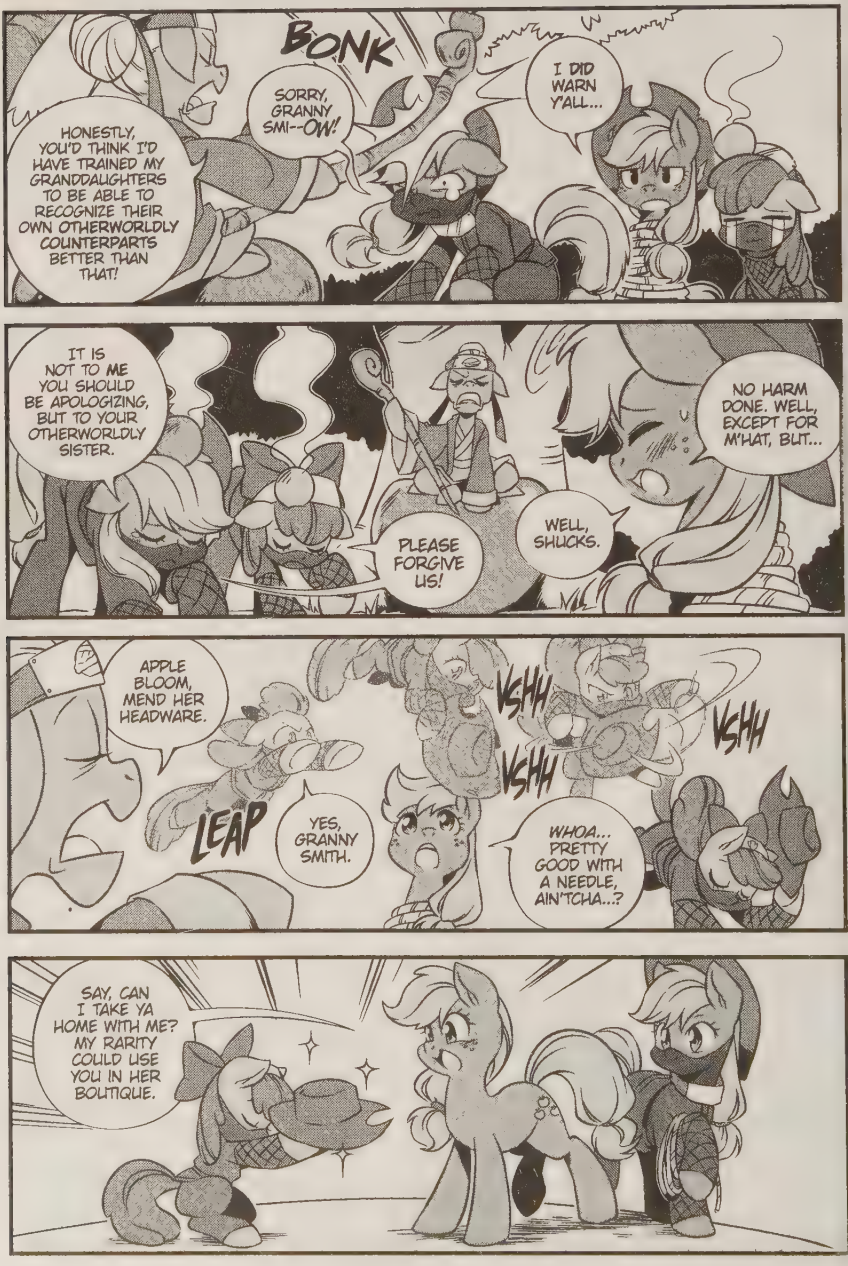

HA! PRETTY SLOPPY, APPLEJACK!
A-APPLE BLOOM?
LOOKS LIKE TODAY'S THE DAY I FINALLY SURPASS YOU.
H-HOLD ON, APPLE BLOOM...TIME OUT, Y'HEAR? TIME OUT!
WH--?! HAVE YOU GONE PLUMB LOCO, APPLEJACK? THERE'S NO TIME OUT IN TRAINING!
HAVE YOU ANY IDEA HOW SORE GRANNY'LL BE IF SHE FINDS OUT YOU EVEN SAID THE "T.O." WORDS?
LOOK, I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU AND YER APPLEJACK ARE FIGHTIN'... WITH SHARP THINGS...
BUT I'M NOT YER APPLEJACK-- I'M AN APPLEJACK FROM A PARALLEL WORLD SENT HERE ON A MISSION BY DISCORD'S MAGIC.
Y'ALL HAVE A DISCORD ON YER WORLD, RIGHT? TALL CRITTER... KINDA MIXED-UP LOOKIN'?
OHHH... I GET IT...
OH, GOOD... YA DO?
YOU'RE JUST TRYING TO GET ME TO LOWER MY GUARD!
SHHHHING
ULP...

Brawl in the Family

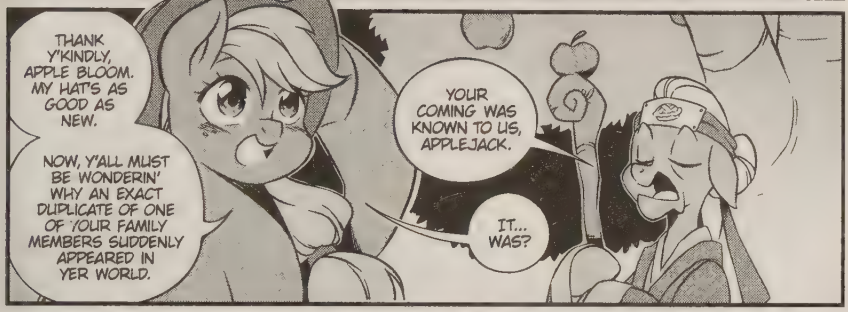

LOOK, I KNOW I'M NOT THE APPLEJACK FROM YER WORLD...
SHING
SHING-SHING
BUT I'M SURE SHE'D GIVE YOU A TALKIN' TO 'BOUT THROWIN' SHARP OBJECTS AT FOLK!
SHIIING
OH, UM... H-H'LO THERE... UM, I'M--
SCREEEE
YOUR DISGUISE SKILLS HAVE COME A LONG WAY, APPLE BLOOM.
H-HUNH?
YOUR BIG SISTER IS IMPRESSED.
OH, UM... I'M NOT APPLE BLOOM!
BUT IF'N YOU COULD HAVE A TALK WITH HER 'BOUT PROPER KNIFE SAFETY--
MY VOICE, MY APPEARANCE-- YOU'VE REPLICATED THEM TO NEAR PERFECTION. IT'S ALMOST LIKE LOOKING IN A MIRROR.
IF IT WEREN'T FOR OOOOONE LITTLE DETAIL...
YOU FORGOT MY HAT.
SHHHHK
HOO BOY...
GUESS IT RUNS IN THE FAMILY.

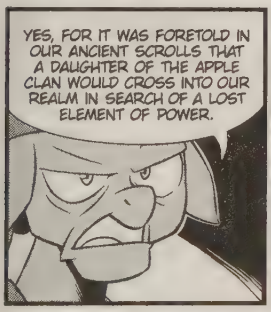

Get the Point?
DEFEND YOURSELF, APPLE BLOOM!
I KEEP TELLING YA--I AIN'T APPLE BLOOM!
FRSHH
AHAAA--HUH...?
T-TWO APPLE-JACKS?
HM? APPLE BLOOM?!
IF...IF YOU'RE NOT APPLEJACK...
AND YOU'RE NOT APPLE BLOOM IN DISGUISE...
THEN THAT MAKES YOU...
YES, LIKE I'VE BEEN TRYING TO TELL Y'ALL, I'M--!
A SPY!!!
O-OKAAAY... WHY DON'T WE PUT DOWN THE SHARP WEAPONS AND HAVE A NICE LI'L CHAT ABOUT THIS OVER SOME APPLE CIDER...?
SHIIINK

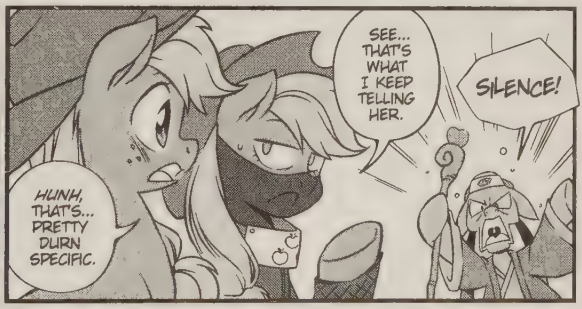
Needle-ful Things

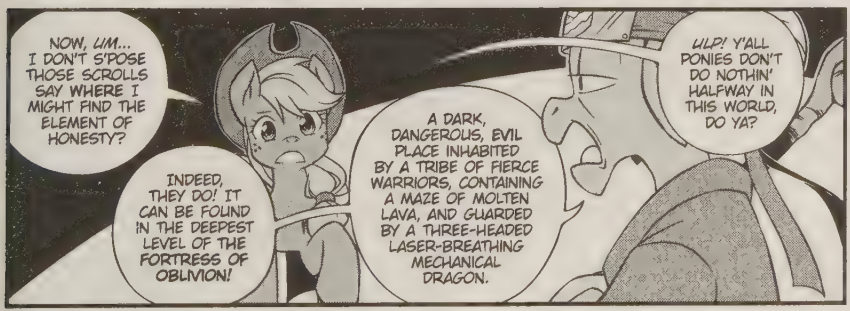

HONESTLY, YOU'D THINK I'D HAVE TRAINED MY GRANDDAUGHTERS TO BE ABLE TO RECOGNIZE THEIR OWN OTHERWORLDLY COUNTERPARTS BETTER THAN THAT!
BONK
SORRY, GRANNY SMI--OW!
I DID WARN Y'ALL...
IT IS NOT TO ME YOU SHOULD BE APOLOGIZING, BUT TO YOUR OTHERWORLDLY SISTER.
PLEASE FORGIVE US!
WELL, SHUCKS.
NO HARM DONE. WELL, EXCEPT FOR M'HAT, BUT...
APPLE BLOOM, MEND HER HEADWARE.
LEAP
YES, GRANNY SMITH.
VSHH
VSHH
VSHH
WHOA... PRETTY GOOD WITH A NEEDLE, AIN'TCHA...?
SAY, CAN I TAKE YA HOME WITH ME? MY RARITY COULD USE YOU IN HER BOUTIQUE.

That's One Way to Get a Head

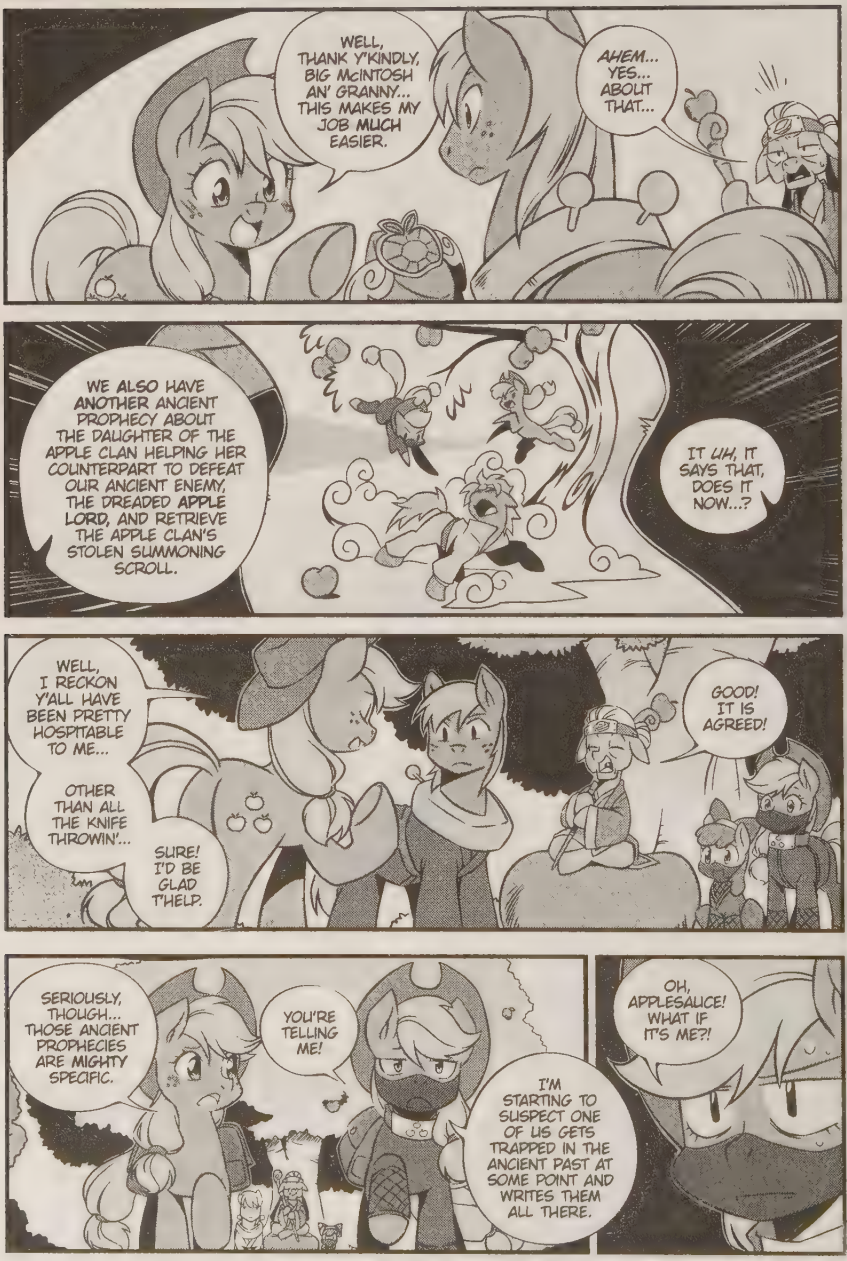

THANK Y'KINDLY, APPLE BLOOM. MY HAT'S AS GOOD AS NEW.
NOW, Y'ALL MUST BE WONDERIN' WHY AN EXACT DUPLICATE OF ONE OF YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS SUDDENLY APPEARED IN YER WORLD.
YOUR COMING WAS KNOWN TO US, APPLEJACK.
IT... WAS?

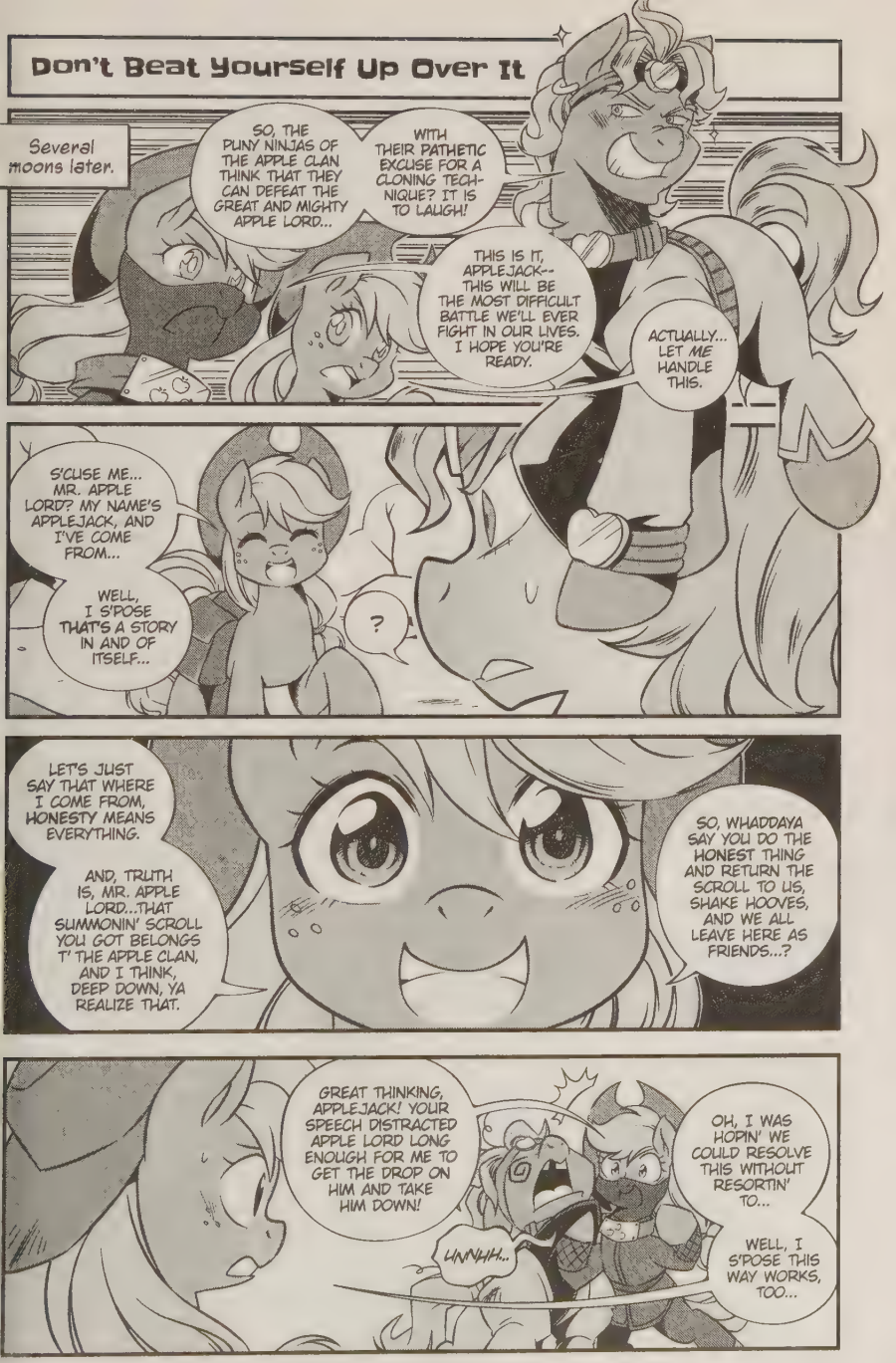

YES, FOR IT WAS FORETOLD IN OUR ANCIENT SCROLLS THAT A DAUGHTER OF THE APPLE CLAN WOULD CROSS INTO OUR REALM IN SEARCH OF A LOST ELEMENT OF POWER.



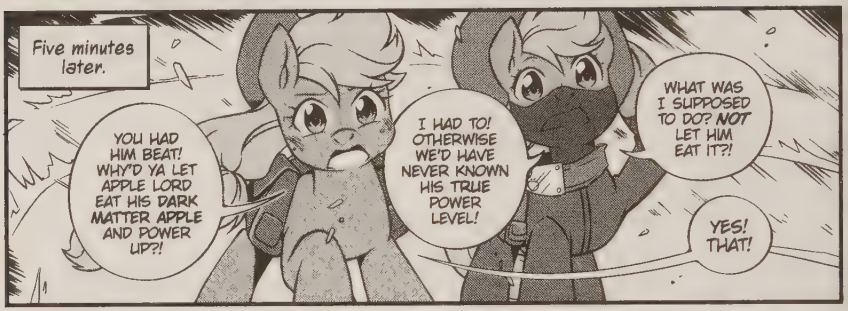

NOW, UM... I DON'T S'POSE THOSE SCROLLS SAY WHERE I MIGHT FIND THE ELEMENT OF HONESTY?
INDEED, THEY DO! IT CAN BE FOUND IN THE DEEPEST LEVEL OF THE FORTRESS OF OBLIVION!
A DARK, DANGEROUS, EVIL PLACE INHABITED BY A TRIBE OF FIERCE WARRIORS, CONTAINING A MAZE OF MOLTEN LAVA, AND GUARDED BY A THREE-HEADED LASER-BREATHING MECHANICAL DRAGON.
ULP! Y'ALL PONIES DON'T DO NOTHIN' HALFWAY IN THIS WORLD, DO YA?

Surely You Quest

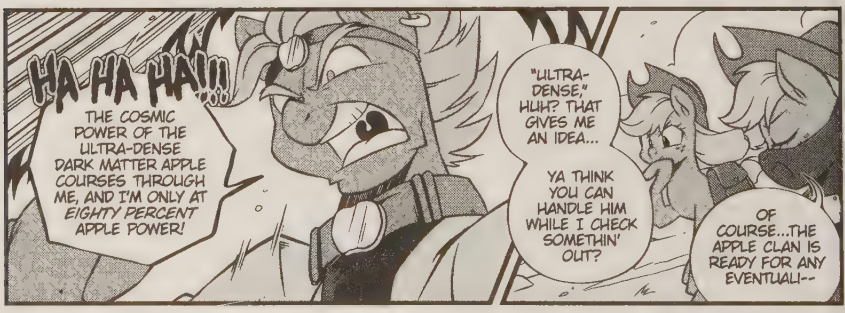

WELL, THANK Y'KINDLY, BIG McINTOSH AN' GRANNY... THIS MAKES MY JOB MUCH EASIER.
AHEM... YES... ABOUT THAT...
WE ALSO HAVE ANOTHER ANCIENT PROPHECY ABOUT THE DAUGHTER OF THE APPLE CLAN HELPING HER COUNTERPART TO DEFEAT OUR ANCIENT ENEMY, THE DREADED APPLE LORD, AND RETRIEVE THE APPLE CLAN'S STOLEN SUMMONING SCROLL.
IT UH, IT SAYS THAT, DOES IT NOW...?
WELL, I RECKON Y'ALL HAVE BEEN PRETTY HOSPITABLE TO ME...
OTHER THAN ALL THE KNIFE THROWIN'...
SURE! I'D BE GLAD T'HELP.
GOOD! IT IS AGREED!
SERIOUSLY, THOUGH... THOSE ANCIENT PROPHECIES ARE MIGHTY SPECIFIC.
YOU'RE TELLING ME!
I'M STARTING TO SUSPECT ONE OF US GETS TRAPPED IN THE ANCIENT PAST AT SOME POINT AND WRITES THEM ALL THERE.
OH, APPLESAUCE! WHAT IF IT'S ME?!

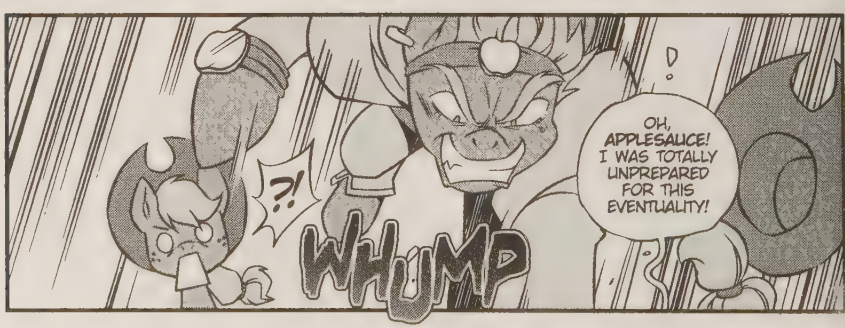

Several moons later.
SO, THE PUNY NINJAS OF THE APPLE CLAN THINK THAT THEY CAN DEFEAT THE GREAT AND MIGHTY APPLE LORD...
WITH THEIR PATHETIC EXCUSE FOR A CLONING TECHNIQUE? IT IS TO LAUGH!
THIS IS IT, APPLEJACK-- THIS WILL BE THE MOST DIFFICULT BATTLE WE'LL EVER FIGHT IN OUR LIVES. I HOPE YOU'RE READY.
ACTUALLY... LET ME HANDLE THIS.
S'CUSE ME... MR. APPLE LORD? MY NAME'S APPLEJACK, AND I'VE COME FROM...
WELL, I S'POSE THAT'S A STORY IN AND OF ITSELF...
?
LET'S JUST SAY THAT WHERE I COME FROM, HONESTY MEANS EVERYTHING.
AND, TRUTH IS, MR. APPLE LORD...THAT SUMMONIN' SCROLL YOU GOT BELONGS T' THE APPLE CLAN, AND I THINK, DEEP DOWN, YA REALIZE THAT.
SO, WHADDAYA SAY YOU DO THE HONEST THING AND RETURN THE SCROLL TO US, SHAKE HOOVES, AND WE ALL LEAVE HERE AS FRIENDS...?
GREAT THINKING, APPLEJACK! YOUR SPEECH DISTRACTED APPLE LORD LONG ENOUGH FOR ME TO GET THE DROP ON HIM AND TAKE HIM DOWN!
UNNHH..
OH, I WAS HOPIN' WE COULD RESOLVE THIS WITHOUT RESORTIN' TO...
WELL, I S'POSE THIS WAY WORKS, TOO...

Last Time on Pony Ball Z


Five minutes later.
YOU HAD HIM BEAT! WHY'D YA LET APPLE LORD EAT HIS DARK MATTER APPLE AND POWER UP?!
I HAD TO! OTHERWISE WE'D HAVE NEVER KNOWN HIS TRUE POWER LEVEL!
WHAT WAS I SUPPOSED TO DO? *NOT* LET HIM EAT IT?!
YES! THAT!

WE'RE IN TROUBLE... NOW THAT THE LEGENDARY DARK MATTER APPLE TREE HAS SPROUTED, HE'LL BE UNSTOPPABLE!
DO YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS?!
HAAAAAAA!!
NO! I STOPPED TRYIN' T'UNDERSTAND WHAT GOES ON IN YER WORLD AGES AGO!


HA-HA HA!!
THE COSMIC POWER OF THE ULTRA-DENSE DARK MATTER APPLE COURSES THROUGH ME, AND I'M ONLY AT *EIGHTY PERCENT* APPLE POWER!
"ULTRA-DENSE," HUH? THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA...
YA THINK YOU CAN HANDLE HIM WHILE I CHECK SOMETHIN' OUT?
OF COURSE...THE APPLE CLAN IS READY FOR ANY EVENTUALI--



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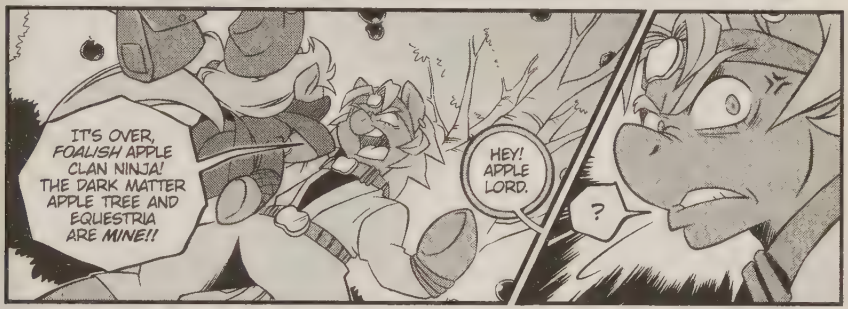
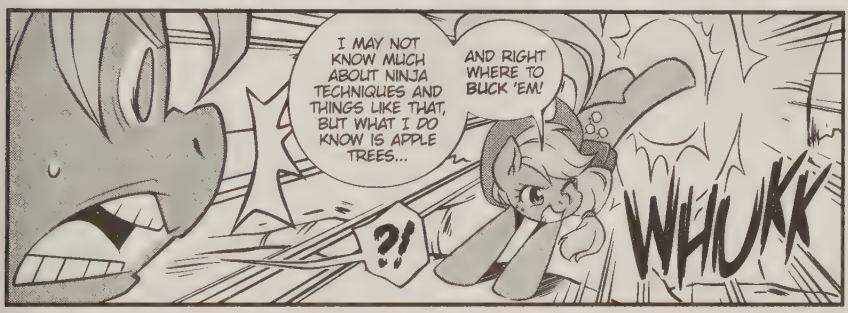
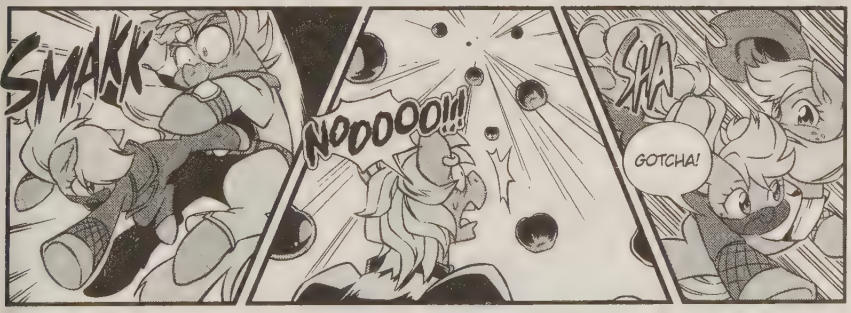
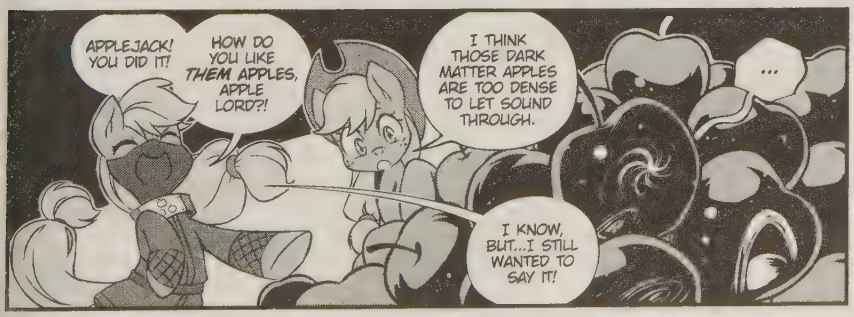
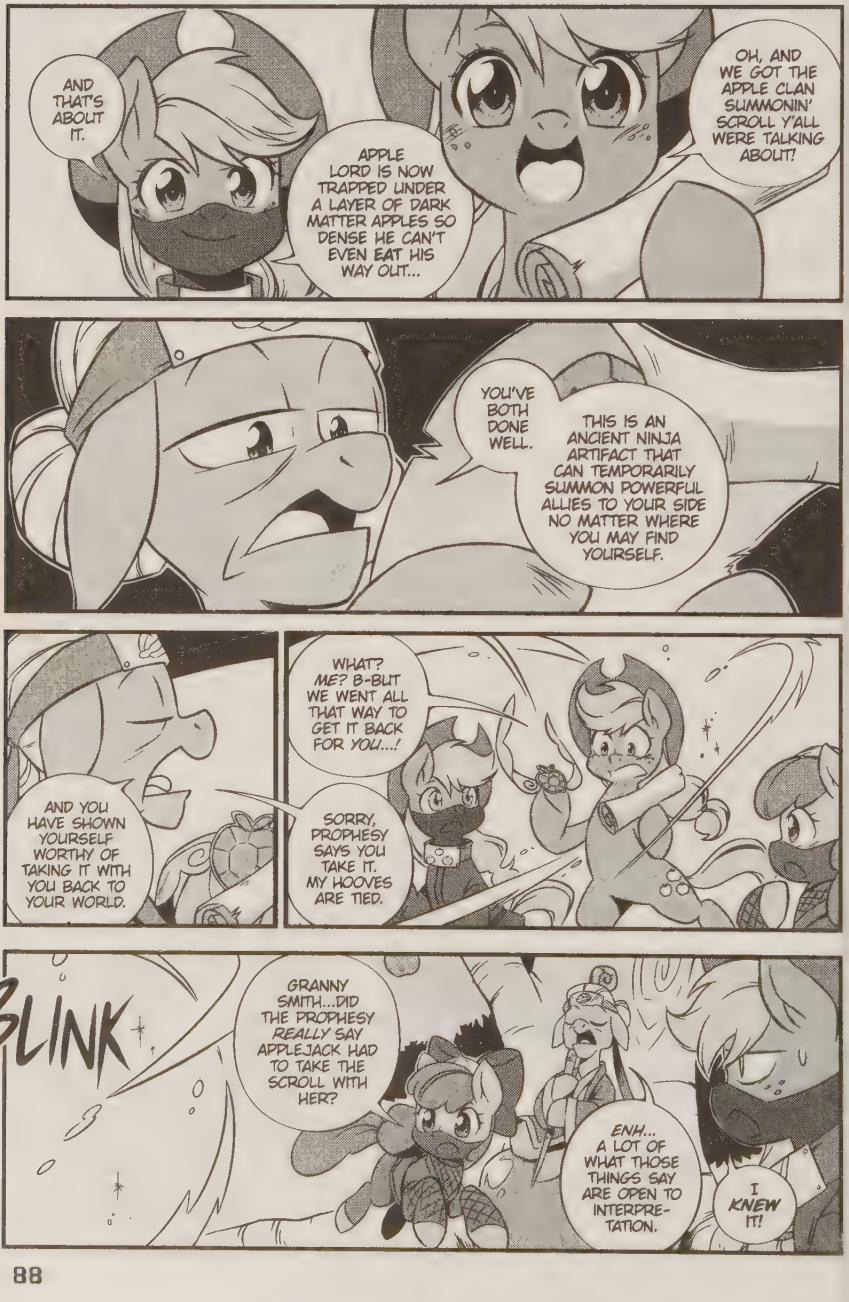



I MAY NOT KNOW MUCH ABOUT NINJA TECHNIQUES AND THINGS LIKE THAT, BUT WHAT I DO KNOW IS APPLE TREES...
AND RIGHT WHERE TO BUCK 'EM!
?!
WHUKK




APPLEJACK! YOU DID IT!
HOW DO YOU LIKE THEM APPLES, APPLE LORD?!
I THINK THOSE DARK MATTER APPLES ARE TOO DENSE TO LET SOUND THROUGH.
...
I KNOW, BUT...I STILL WANTED TO SAY IT!

Scroll's Well that Ends Well


AND THAT'S ABOUT IT.
APPLE LORD IS NOW TRAPPED UNDER A LAYER OF DARK MATTER APPLES SO DENSE HE CAN'T EVEN EAT HIS WAY OUT...
OH, AND WE GOT THE APPLE CLAN SUMMONIN' SCROLL Y'ALL WERE TALKING ABOUT!
YOU'VE BOTH DONE WELL.
THIS IS AN ANCIENT NINJA ARTIFACT THAT CAN TEMPORARILY SUMMON POWERFUL ALLIES TO YOUR SIDE NO MATTER WHERE YOU MAY FIND YOURSELF.
AND YOU HAVE SHOWN YOURSELF WORTHY OF TAKING IT WITH YOU BACK TO YOUR WORLD.
WHAT? ME? B-BUT WE WENT ALL THAT WAY TO GET IT BACK FOR YOU...!
SORRY, PROPHESY SAYS YOU TAKE IT. MY HOOVES ARE TIED.
BLINK
GRANNY SMITH...DID THE PROPHESY *REALLY* SAY APPLEJACK HAD TO TAKE THE SCROLL WITH HER?
ENH... A LOT OF WHAT THOSE THINGS SAY ARE OPEN TO INTERPRETATION.
I *KNEW* IT!

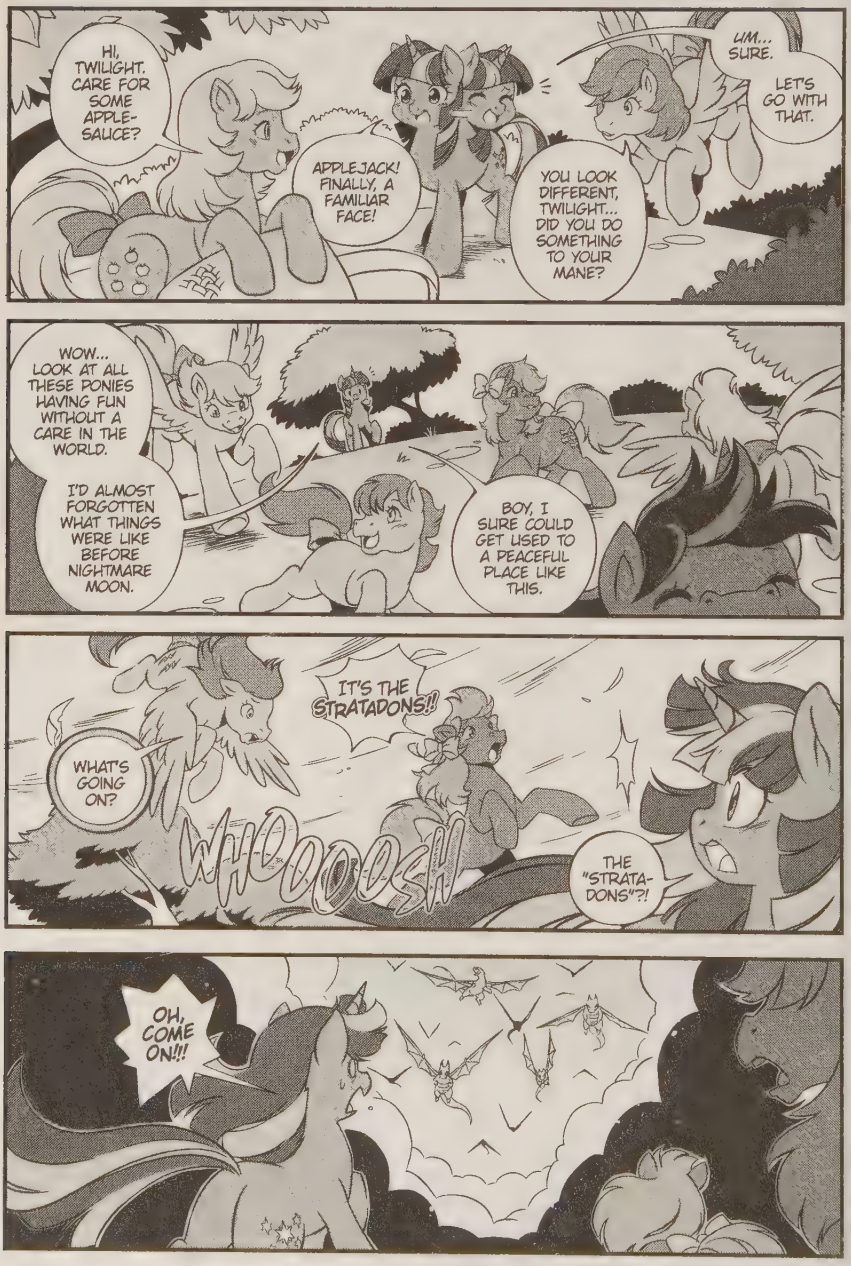
I'M GETTING OUT OF HERE, AND THEN I'M GONNA WREAK SOOO MUCH VENGEANCE...
...
AAAANY MINUTE NOW...

CHAPTER 7

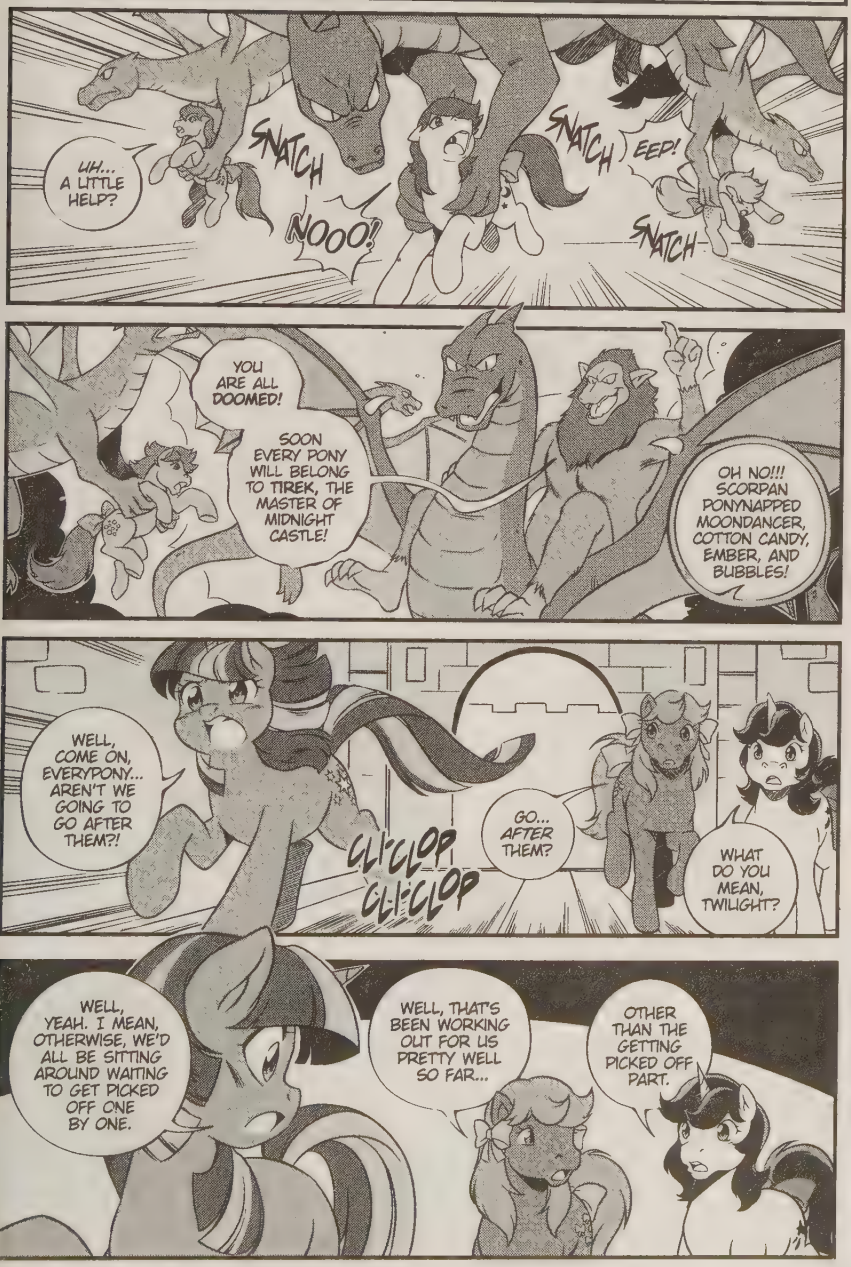
GEE, WONder Where I've Seen This Before?

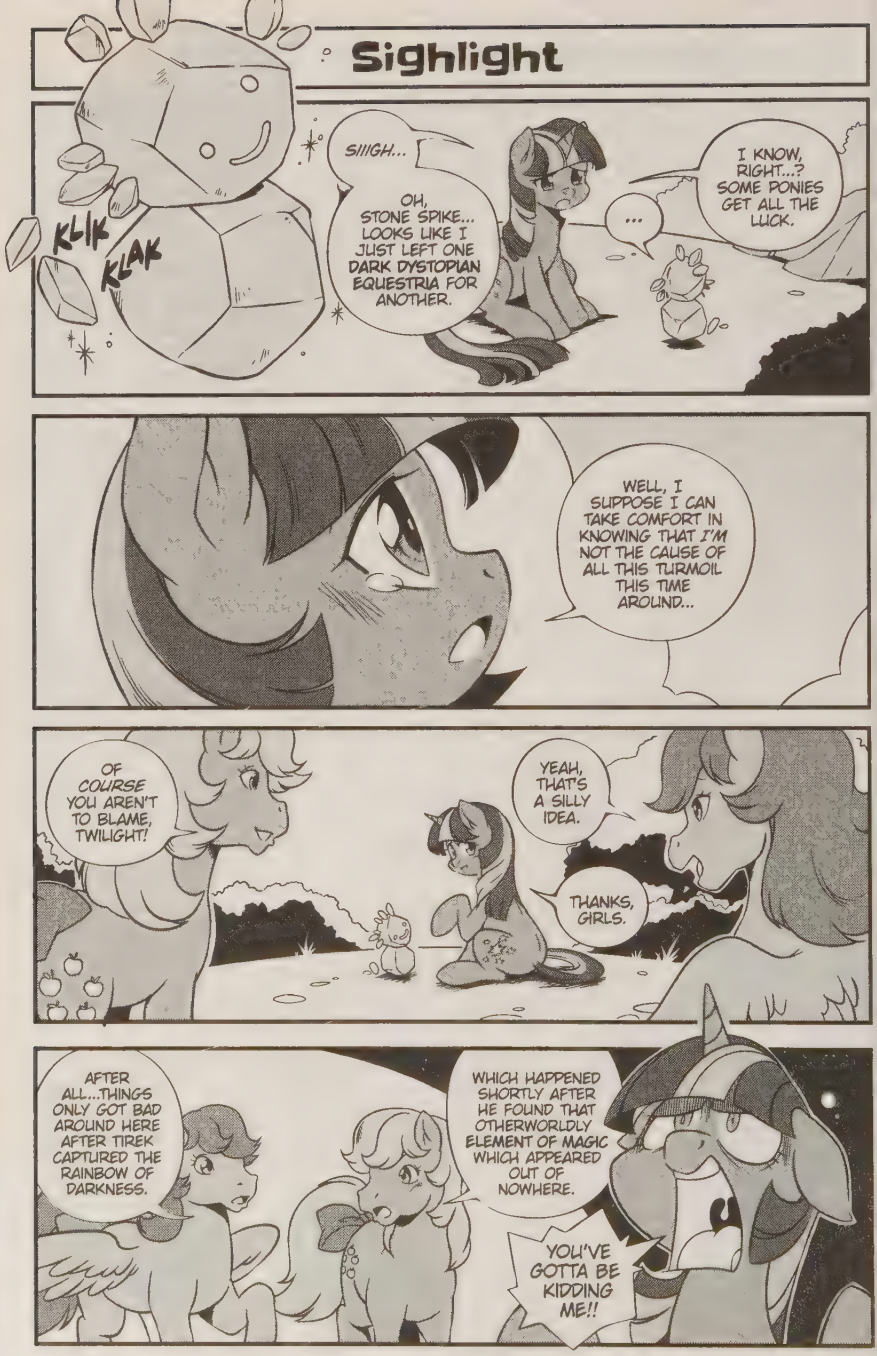
My little pony, my little pony...isn't the world a fantastic place?
My little pony, my little pony...
LOOK OUT, TWILIGHT-- HERE I GOOO!
I WISH... I WISH...
BLINK
UH-OH!
HUH?
May allll your dreeeeeams be briiiight!
WEE... SPINNYYY...
S-SORRY ABOUT THAT... YOU JUST REST HERE. YOU'LL BE FINE IN ABOUT TWENTY-TWO MINUTES...
HALF AN HOUR, TOPS.

No Rest for the Whinny

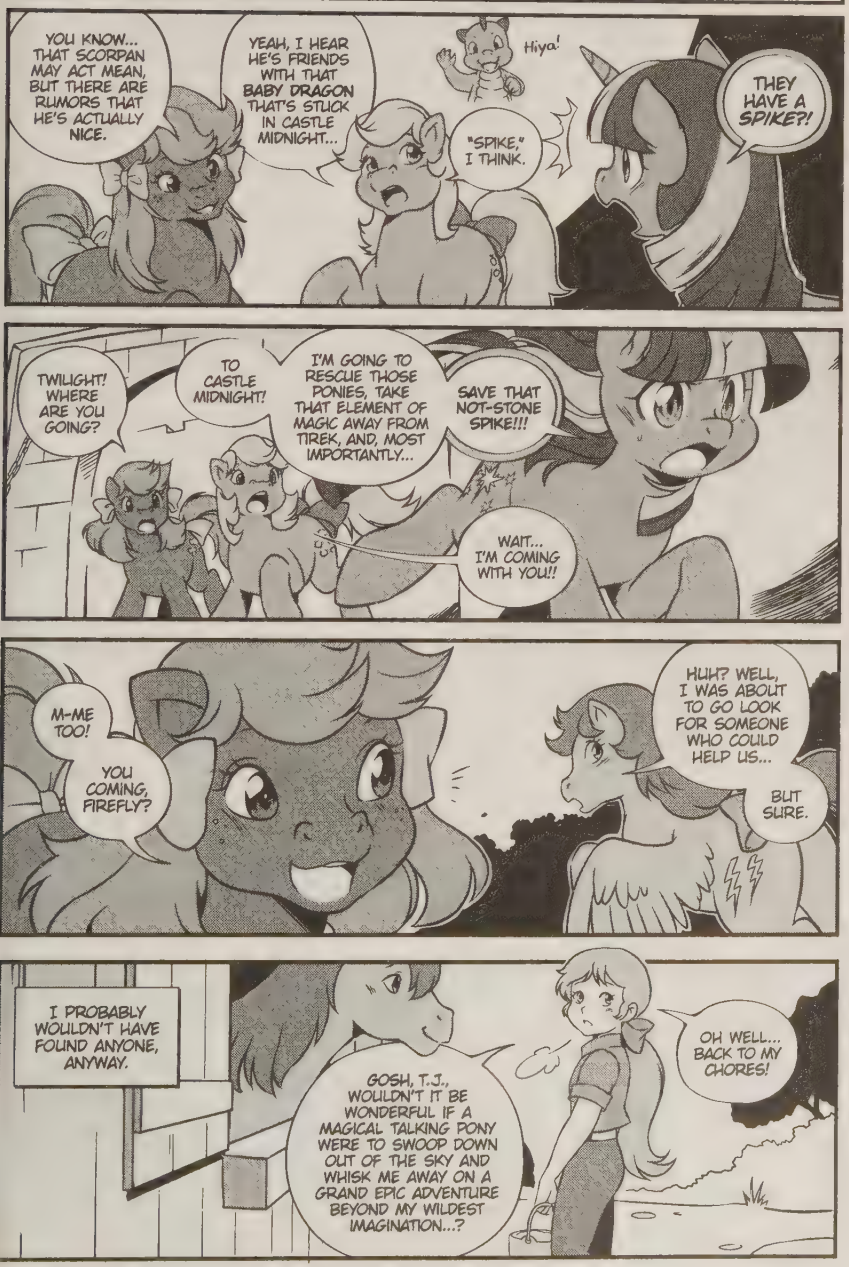

HI, TWILIGHT. CARE FOR SOME APPLE-SAUCE?
APPLEJACK! FINALLY, A FAMILIAR FACE!
YOU LOOK DIFFERENT, TWILIGHT... DID YOU DO SOMETHING TO YOUR MANE?
UM... SURE.
LET'S GO WITH THAT.
WOW... LOOK AT ALL THESE PONIES HAVING FUN WITHOUT A CARE IN THE WORLD.
I'D ALMOST FORGOTTEN WHAT THINGS WERE LIKE BEFORE NIGHTMARE MOON.
BOY, I SURE COULD GET USED TO A PEACEFUL PLACE LIKE THIS.
WHAT'S GOING ON?
IT'S THE STRATADONS!!
WHOOOOSH
THE "STRATA-DONS"?!
OH, COME ON!!!

Scor-pain in the Rear!

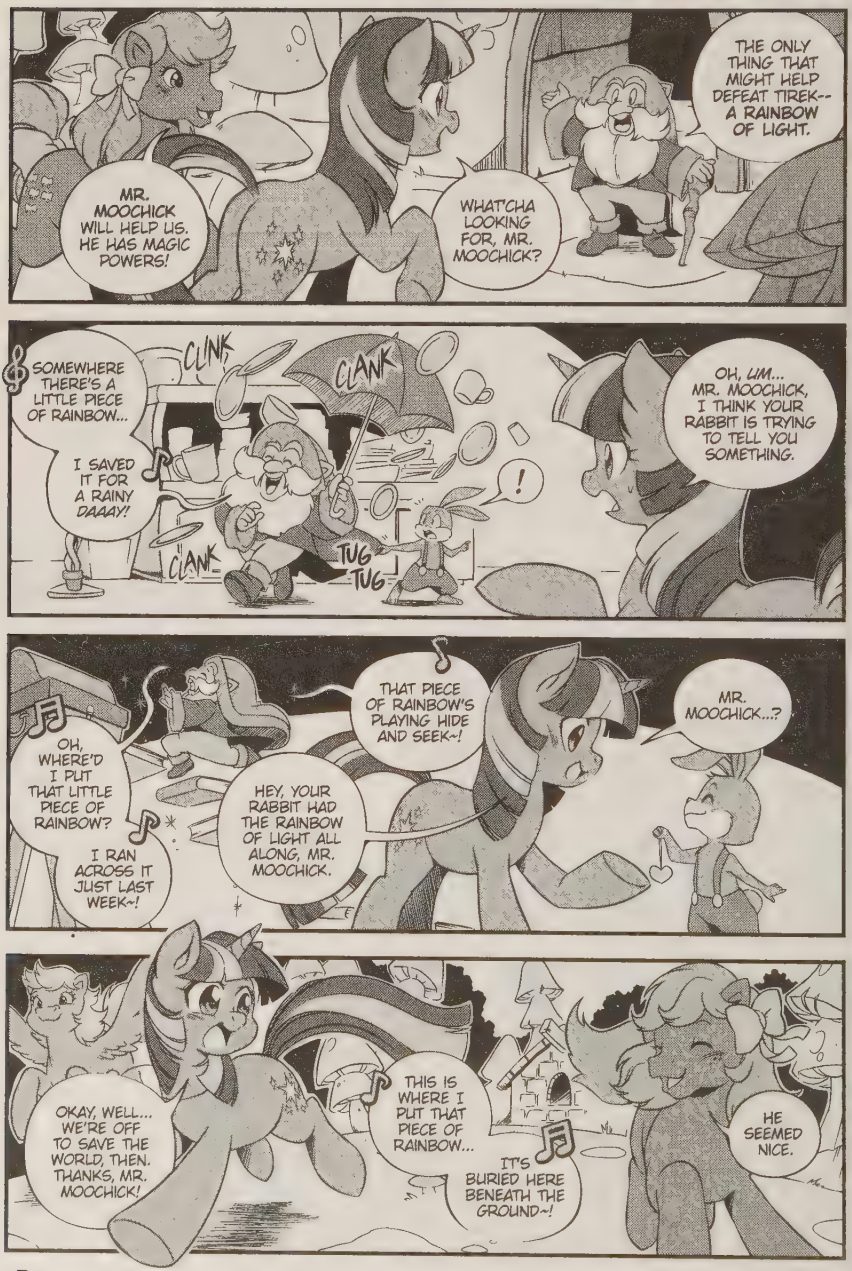

UH... A LITTLE HELP?
SNATCH
NOOO!
SNATCH
EEP!
SNATCH
YOU ARE ALL DOOMED!
SOON EVERY PONY WILL BELONG TO TIREK, THE MASTER OF MIDNIGHT CASTLE!
OH NO!!! SCORPAN PONYNAPPED MOONDANCER, COTTON CANDY, EMBER, AND BUBBLES!
WELL, COME ON, EVERYPONY... AREN'T WE GOING TO GO AFTER THEM?!
CLI-CLOP CLI-CLOP
GO... AFTER THEM?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, TWILIGHT?
WELL, YEAH. I MEAN, OTHERWISE, WE'D ALL BE SITTING AROUND WAITING TO GET PICKED OFF ONE BY ONE.
WELL, THAT'S BEEN WORKING OUT FOR US PRETTY WELL SO FAR...
OTHER THAN THE GETTING PICKED OFF PART.


KLIK
KLAK
SIIIGH...
OH, STONE SPIKE... LOOKS LIKE I JUST LEFT ONE DARK DYSTOPIAN EQUESTRIA FOR ANOTHER.
...
I KNOW, RIGHT...? SOME PONIES GET ALL THE LUCK.
WELL, I SUPPOSE I CAN TAKE COMFORT IN KNOWING THAT I'M NOT THE CAUSE OF ALL THIS TURMOIL THIS TIME AROUND...
OF COURSE YOU AREN'T TO BLAME, TWILIGHT!
YEAH, THAT'S A SILLY IDEA.
THANKS, GIRLS.
AFTER ALL...THINGS ONLY GOT BAD AROUND HERE AFTER TIREK CAPTURED THE RAINBOW OF DARKNESS.
WHICH HAPPENED SHORTLY AFTER HE FOUND THAT OTHERWORLDLY ELEMENT OF MAGIC WHICH APPEARED OUT OF NOWHERE.
YOU'VE GOTTA BE KIDDING ME!!

Meg-going... Meg-going... Meg-gone!

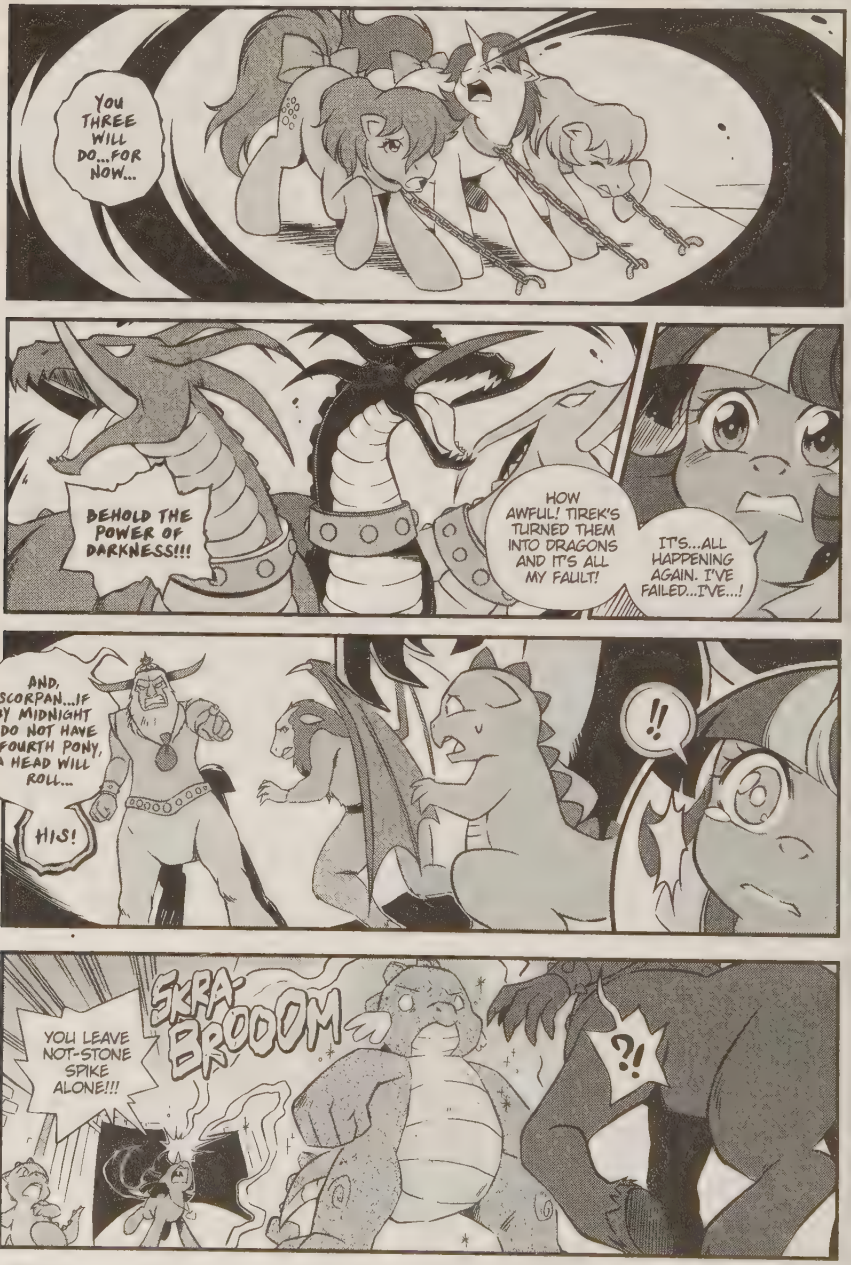

YOU KNOW... THAT SCORPAN MAY ACT MEAN, BUT THERE ARE RUMORS THAT HE'S ACTUALLY NICE.
YEAH, I HEAR HE'S FRIENDS WITH THAT BABY DRAGON THAT'S STUCK IN CASTLE MIDNIGHT...
Hiya!
"SPIKE," I THINK.
THEY HAVE A SPIKE?!
TWILIGHT! WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
TO CASTLE MIDNIGHT!
I'M GOING TO RESCUE THOSE PONIES, TAKE THAT ELEMENT OF MAGIC AWAY FROM TIREK, AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY...
SAVE THAT NOT-STONE SPIKE!!!
WAIT... I'M COMING WITH YOU!!
M-ME TOO!
YOU COMING, FIREFLY?
HUH? WELL, I WAS ABOUT TO GO LOOK FOR SOMEONE WHO COULD HELP US...
BUT SURE.
I PROBABLY WOULDN'T HAVE FOUND ANYONE, ANYWAY.
GOSH, T.J., WOULDN'T IT BE WONDERFUL IF A MAGICAL TALKING PONY WERE TO SWOOP DOWN OUT OF THE SKY AND WHISK ME AWAY ON A GRAND EPIC ADVENTURE BEYOND MY WILDEST IMAGINATION...?
OH WELL... BACK TO MY CHORES!

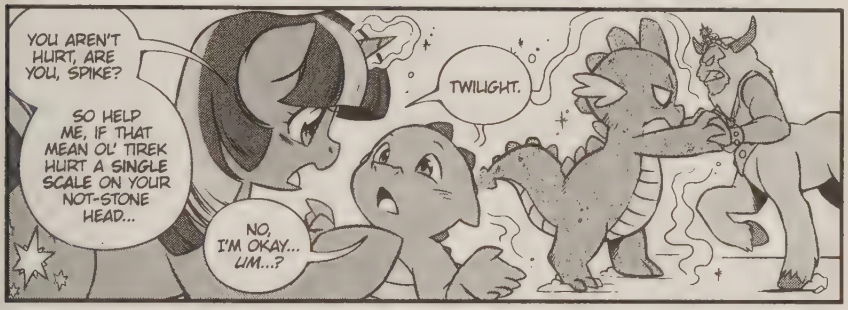
A Little Song and Prance

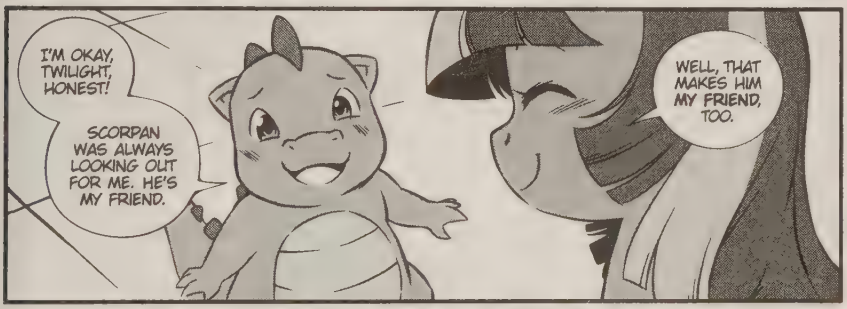

MR. MOOCHICK WILL HELP US. HE HAS MAGIC POWERS!
WHAT'CHA LOOKING FOR, MR. MOOCHICK?
THE ONLY THING THAT MIGHT HELP DEFEAT TIREK-- A RAINBOW OF LIGHT.
SOMEWHERE THERE'S A LITTLE PIECE OF RAINBOW...
I SAVED IT FOR A RAINY DAAAY!
CLINK
CLANK
CLANK
TUG TUG
!
OH, UM... MR. MOOCHICK, I THINK YOUR RABBIT IS TRYING TO TELL YOU SOMETHING.
OH, WHERE'D I PUT THAT LITTLE PIECE OF RAINBOW?
I RAN ACROSS IT JUST LAST WEEK~!
HEY, YOUR RABBIT HAD THE RAINBOW OF LIGHT ALL ALONG, MR. MOOCHICK.
THAT PIECE OF RAINBOW'S PLAYING HIDE AND SEEK~!
MR. MOOCHICK...?
OKAY, WELL... WE'RE OFF TO SAVE THE WORLD, THEN. THANKS, MR. MOOCHICK!
THIS IS WHERE I PUT THAT PIECE OF RAINBOW...
IT'S BURIED HERE BENEATH THE GROUND~!
HE SEEMED NICE.

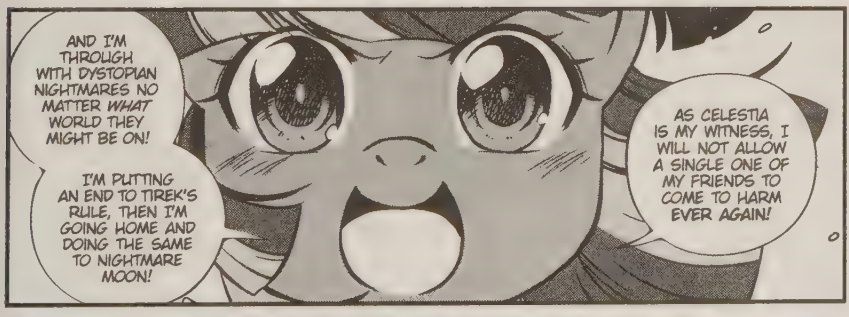
THANKS FOR THE RIDE TO THIS SECRET ENTRANCE TO CASTLE MIDNIGHT, SEA PONIES.
AND THANKS FOR THE MUSICAL UNDERSEA ADVENTURE!
SORRY WE COULDN'T STAY LONGER... WE'RE IN A HURRY.
Shoo-bee-doo-shoo-shoo-bee-doo!
EVERYPONY, STAY QUIET, NOW...
HEY, OVER HERE!
THIS MUST BE TIREK'S THRONE ROOM.
GUARDS! REMOVE THE SMALL ONE.
SHE IS TOO SMALL TO PULL MY CHARIOT OF MIDNIGHT...
AS YOU SHOULD HAVE KNOWN...
SCORPAN!
?!!
PHHHT!
TEE HEE HEE!
TEE-HEE-HIREK LOOKS SO SILL-EE-HEE-HEE...!

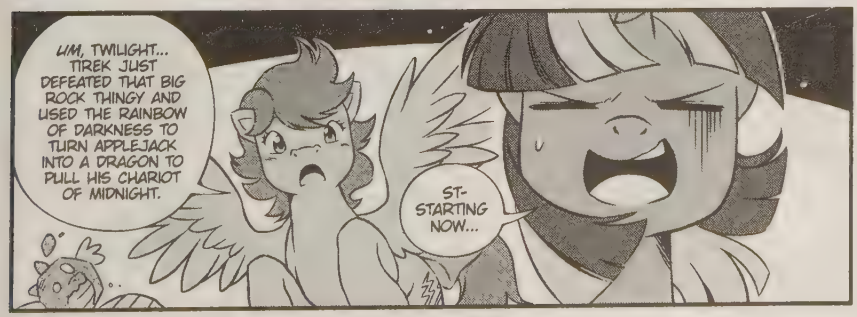
The Door Repair Industry Just Spiked!

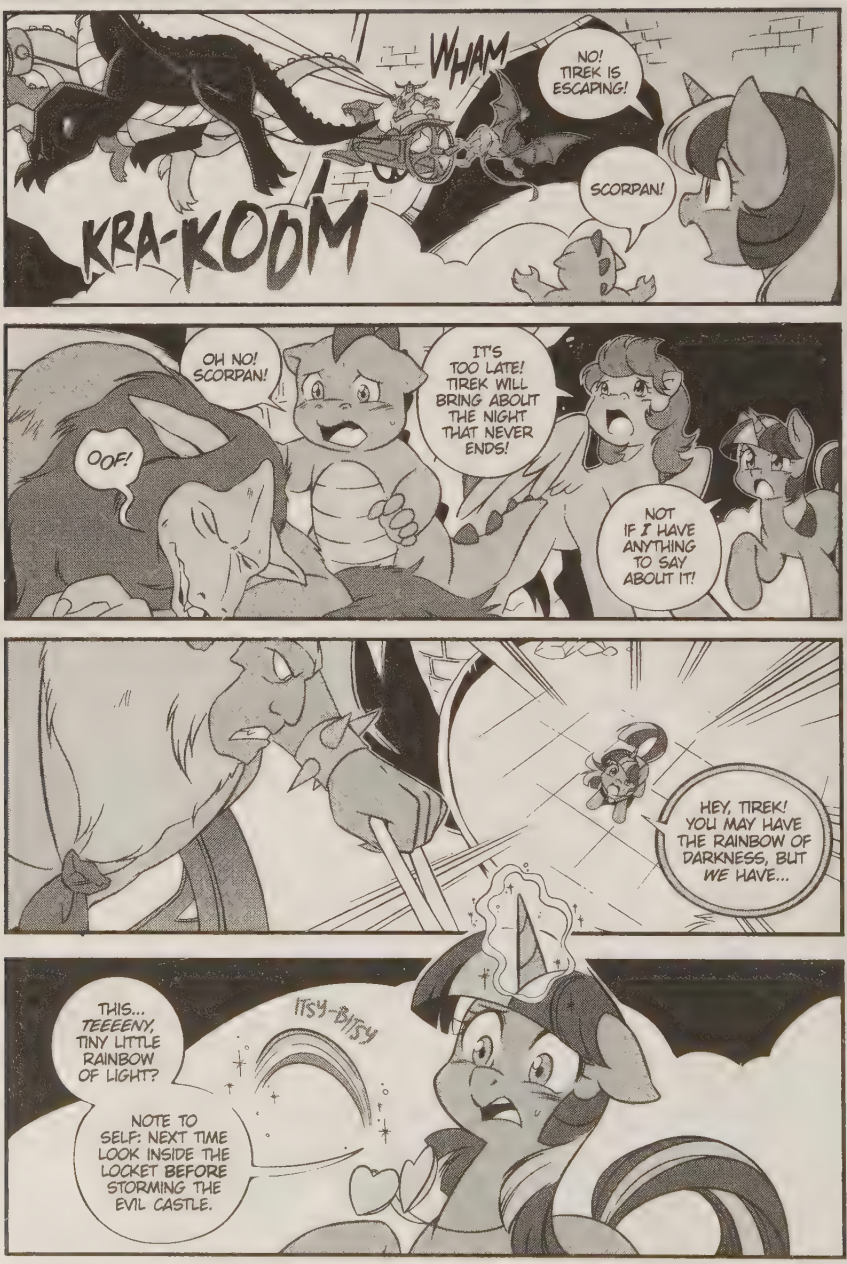

YOU THREE WILL DO...FOR NOW...
BEHOLD THE POWER OF DARKNESS!!!
HOW AWFUL! TIREK'S TURNED THEM INTO DRAGONS AND IT'S ALL MY FAULT!
IT'S...ALL HAPPENING AGAIN. I'VE FAILED...I'VE...!
AND, SCORPAN...IF BY MIDNIGHT I DO NOT HAVE A FOURTH PONY, A HEAD WILL ROLL...
HIS!
!!
YOU LEAVE NOT-STONE SPIKE ALONE!!!
SKRA-BROOOM
?!


YOU AREN'T HURT, ARE YOU, SPIKE?
SO HELP ME, IF THAT MEAN OL' TIREK HURT A SINGLE SCALE ON YOUR NOT-STONE HEAD...
NO, I'M OKAY... UM...?
TWILIGHT.


I'M OKAY, TWILIGHT, HONEST!
SCORPAN WAS ALWAYS LOOKING OUT FOR ME. HE'S MY FRIEND.
WELL, THAT MAKES HIM MY FRIEND, TOO.


AND I'M THROUGH WITH DYSTOPIAN NIGHTMARES NO MATTER *WHAT* WORLD THEY MIGHT BE ON!
I'M PUTTING AN END TO TIREK'S RULE, THEN I'M GOING HOME AND DOING THE SAME TO NIGHTMARE MOON!
AS CELESTIA IS MY WITNESS, I WILL NOT ALLOW A SINGLE ONE OF MY FRIENDS TO COME TO HARM EVER AGAIN!

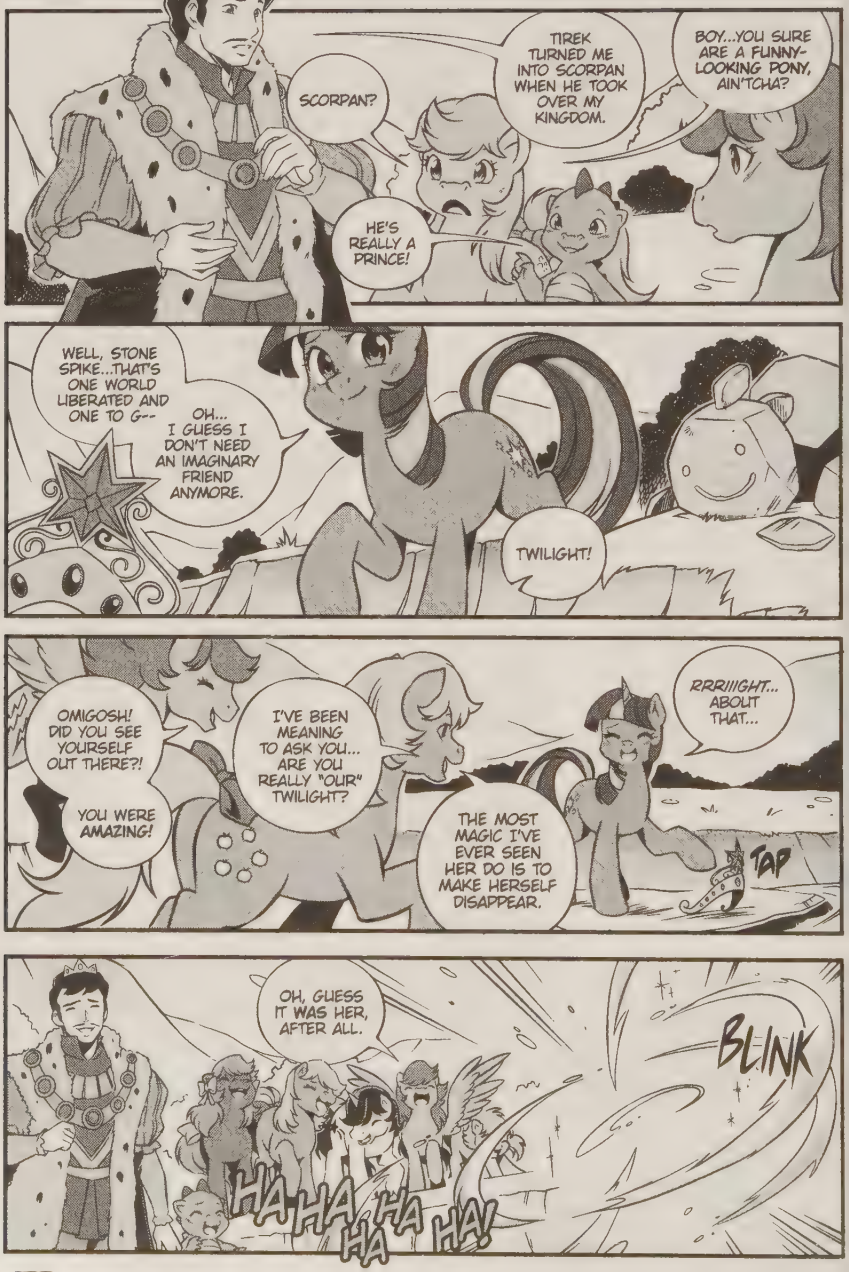

UM, TWILIGHT... TIREK JUST DEFEATED THAT BIG ROCK THINGY AND USED THE RAINBOW OF DARKNESS TO TURN APPLEJACK INTO A DRAGON TO PULL HIS CHARIOT OF MIDNIGHT.
ST-STARTING NOW...

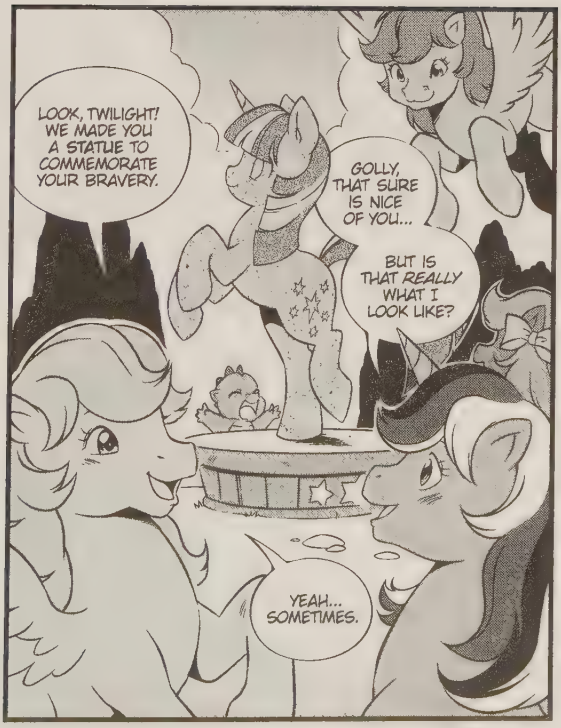

KRA-KOOM
WHAM
NO! TIREK IS ESCAPING!
SCORPAN!
OOF!
OH NO! SCORPAN!
IT'S TOO LATE! TIREK WILL BRING ABOUT THE NIGHT THAT NEVER ENDS!
NOT IF I HAVE ANYTHING TO SAY ABOUT IT!
HEY, TIREK! YOU MAY HAVE THE RAINBOW OF DARKNESS, BUT WE HAVE...
ITSY-BITSY
THIS... TEEEENY, TINY LITTLE RAINBOW OF LIGHT?
NOTE TO SELF: NEXT TIME LOOK INSIDE THE LOCKET BEFORE STORMING THE EVIL CASTLE.

Dra-Gone!

OH, RAINBOW OF DARKNESS THAT DARKNESS SENDS.
NOW BEGINS THE NIGHT THAT NEVER ENDS!
TWILIGHT!
OH NO!
THE RAINBOW AND TWILIGHT ARE FIGHTING BACK!
SHOOOM
WHAT?!
LOOK! THE RAINBOW OF LIGHT TURNED THE DRAGONS BACK INTO PONIES!
NOOOOOOO!
KA-BOOOOM
DID... DID THAT RAINBOW JUST EXPLODE?
I... GUESS SO...?
DO ALL RAINBOWS EXPLODE?
IT'S... PROBABLY BEST NOT TO THINK ABOUT IT.

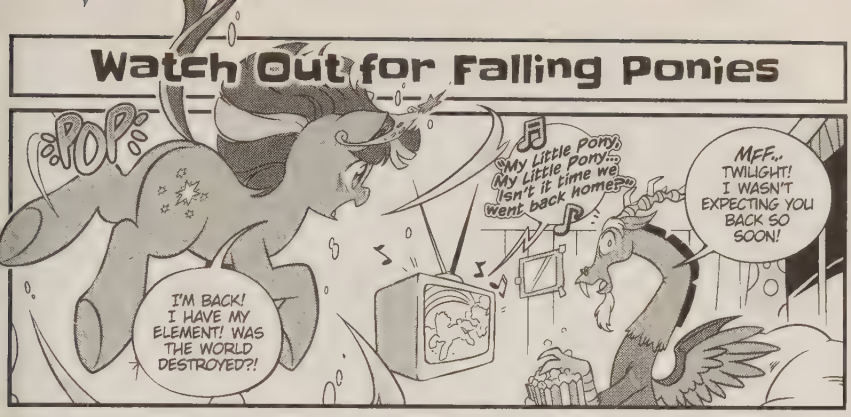
All's Well that Ends Swell

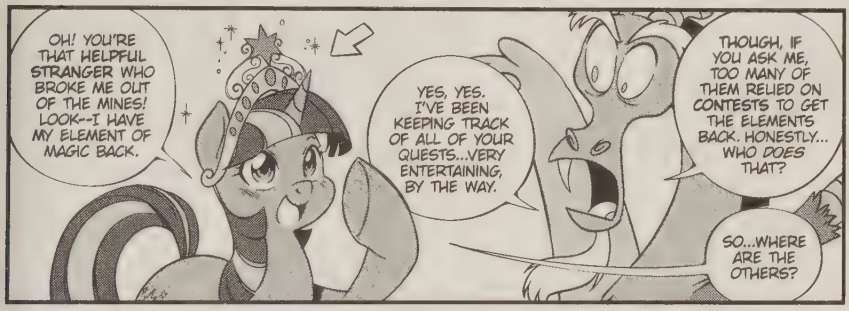

SCORPAN?
TIREK TURNED ME INTO SCORPAN WHEN HE TOOK OVER MY KINGDOM.
BOY...YOU SURE ARE A FUNNY-LOOKING PONY, AIN'TCHA?
HE'S REALLY A PRINCE!
WELL, STONE SPIKE...THAT'S ONE WORLD LIBERATED AND ONE TO G--
OH... I GUESS I DON'T NEED AN IMAGINARY FRIEND ANYMORE.
TWILIGHT!
OMIGOSH! DID YOU SEE YOURSELF OUT THERE?!
YOU WERE AMAZING!
I'VE BEEN MEANING TO ASK YOU... ARE YOU REALLY "OUR" TWILIGHT?
THE MOST MAGIC I'VE EVER SEEN HER DO IS TO MAKE HERSELF DISAPPEAR.
RRRIIIGHT... ABOUT THAT...
TAP
OH, GUESS IT WAS HER, AFTER ALL.
HA HA HA HA HA!
BLINK

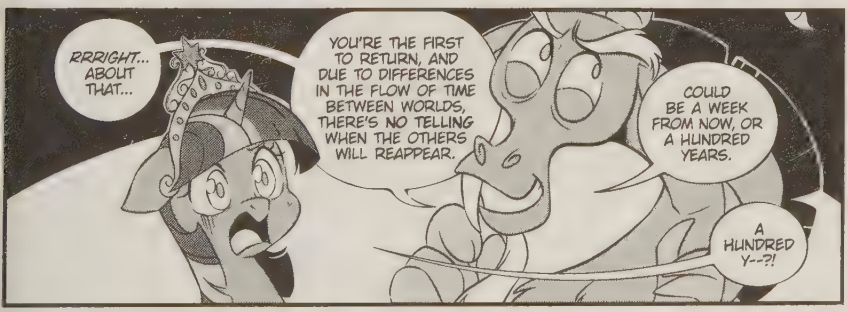

LOOK, TWILIGHT! WE MADE YOU A STATUE TO COMMEMORATE YOUR BRAVERY.
GOLLY, THAT SURE IS NICE OF YOU...
BUT IS THAT *REALLY* WHAT I LOOK LIKE?
YEAH... SOMETIMES.

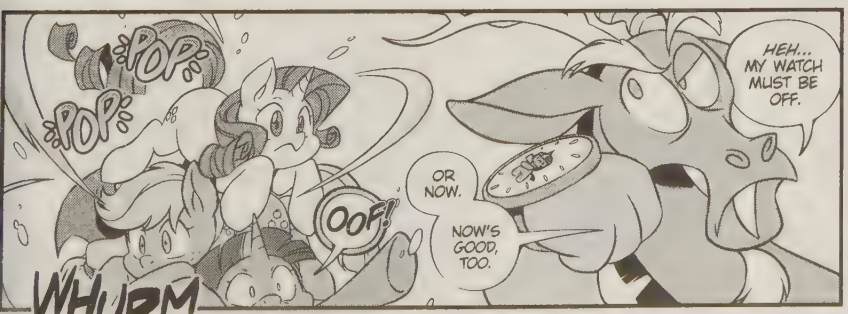
CHAPTER 8

Watch Out for Falling Ponies

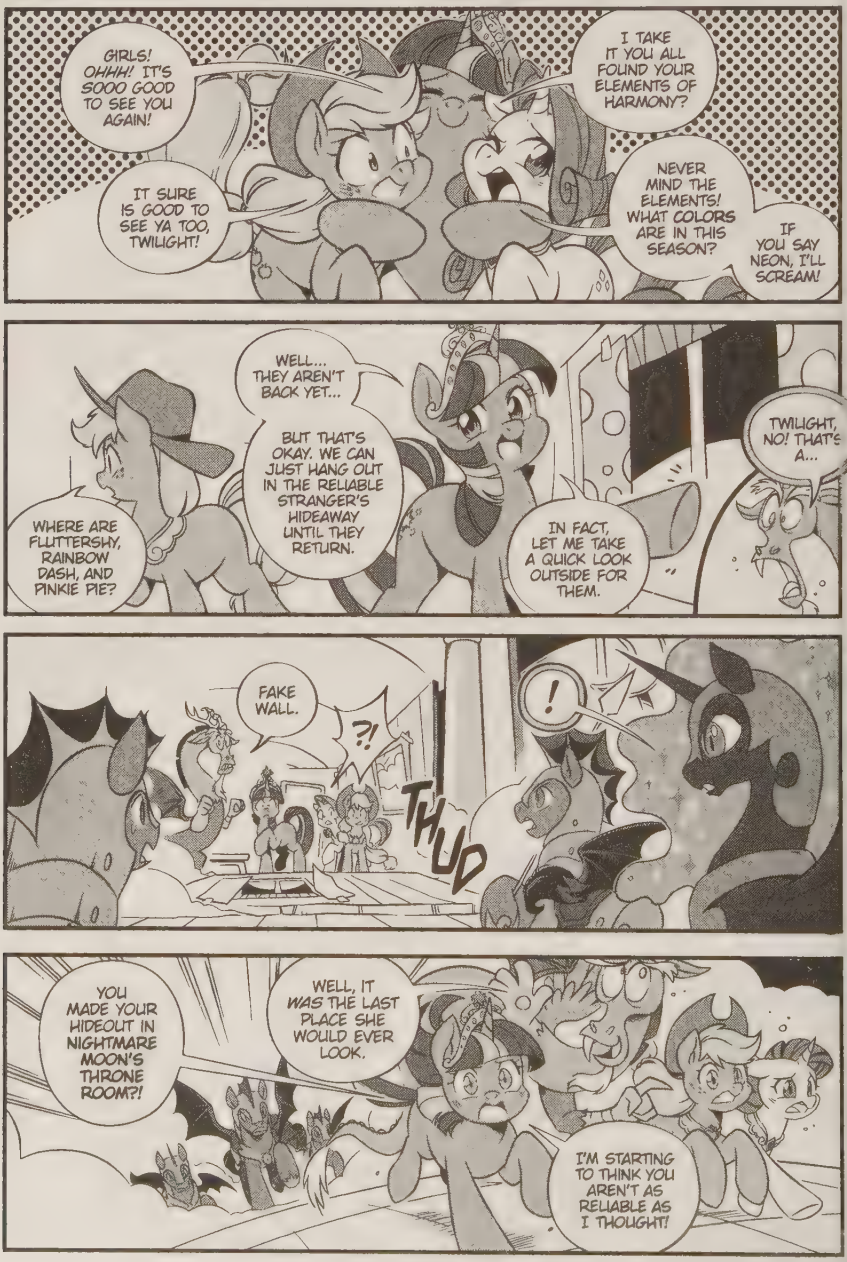

POP
I'M BACK! I HAVE MY ELEMENT! WAS THE WORLD DESTROYED?!
My Little Pony, My Little Pony... Isn't it time we went back home?
MFF.. TWILIGHT! I WASN'T EXPECTING YOU BACK SO SOON!


OH! YOU'RE THAT HELPFUL STRANGER WHO BROKE ME OUT OF THE MINES! LOOK--I HAVE MY ELEMENT OF MAGIC BACK.
YES, YES. I'VE BEEN KEEPING TRACK OF ALL OF YOUR QUESTS...VERY ENTERTAINING, BY THE WAY.
THOUGH, IF YOU ASK ME, TOO MANY OF THEM RELIED ON CONTESTS TO GET THE ELEMENTS BACK. HONESTLY... WHO DOES THAT?
SO...WHERE ARE THE OTHERS?

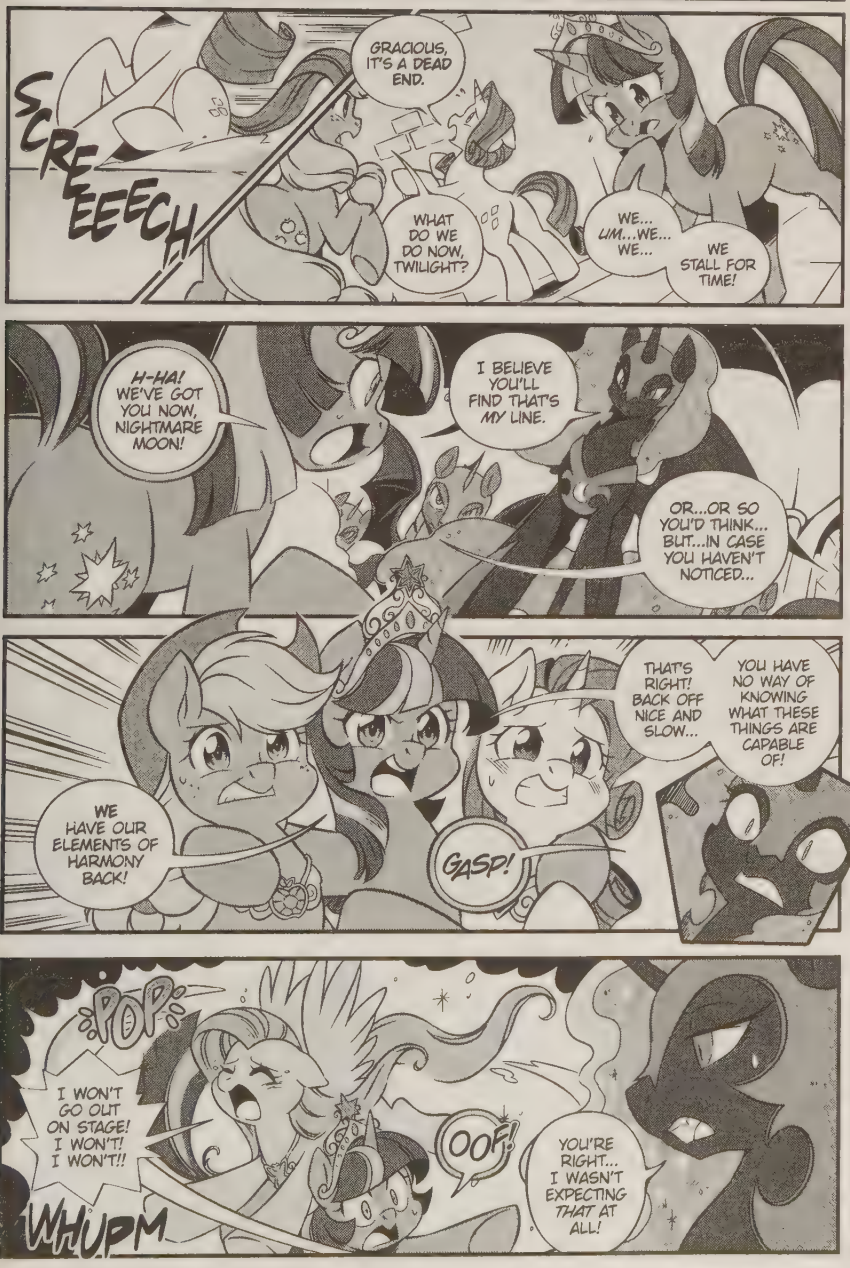

RRRIGHT... ABOUT THAT...
YOU'RE THE FIRST TO RETURN, AND DUE TO DIFFERENCES IN THE FLOW OF TIME BETWEEN WORLDS, THERE'S NO TELLING WHEN THE OTHERS WILL REAPPEAR.
COULD BE A WEEK FROM NOW, OR A HUNDRED YEARS.
A HUNDRED Y--?!



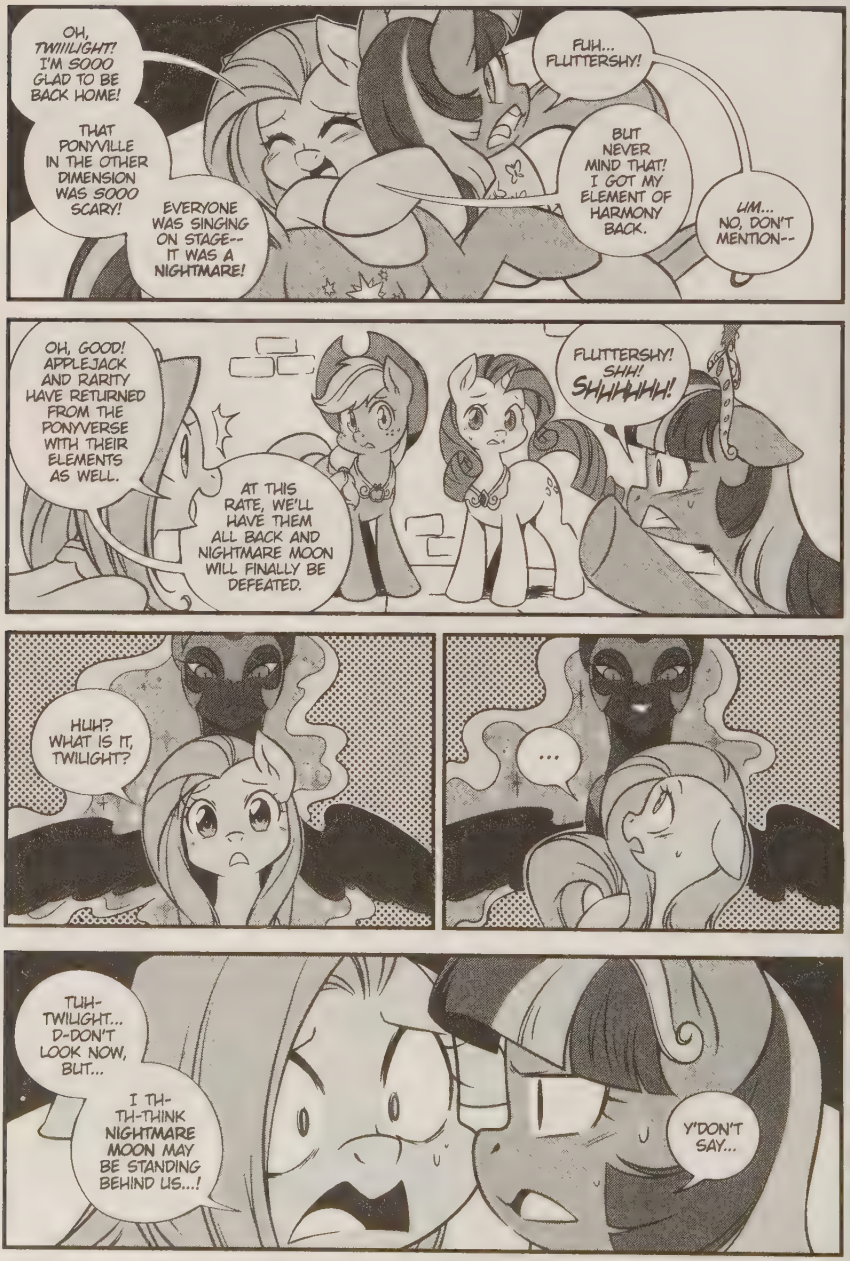
Wall-EEP!

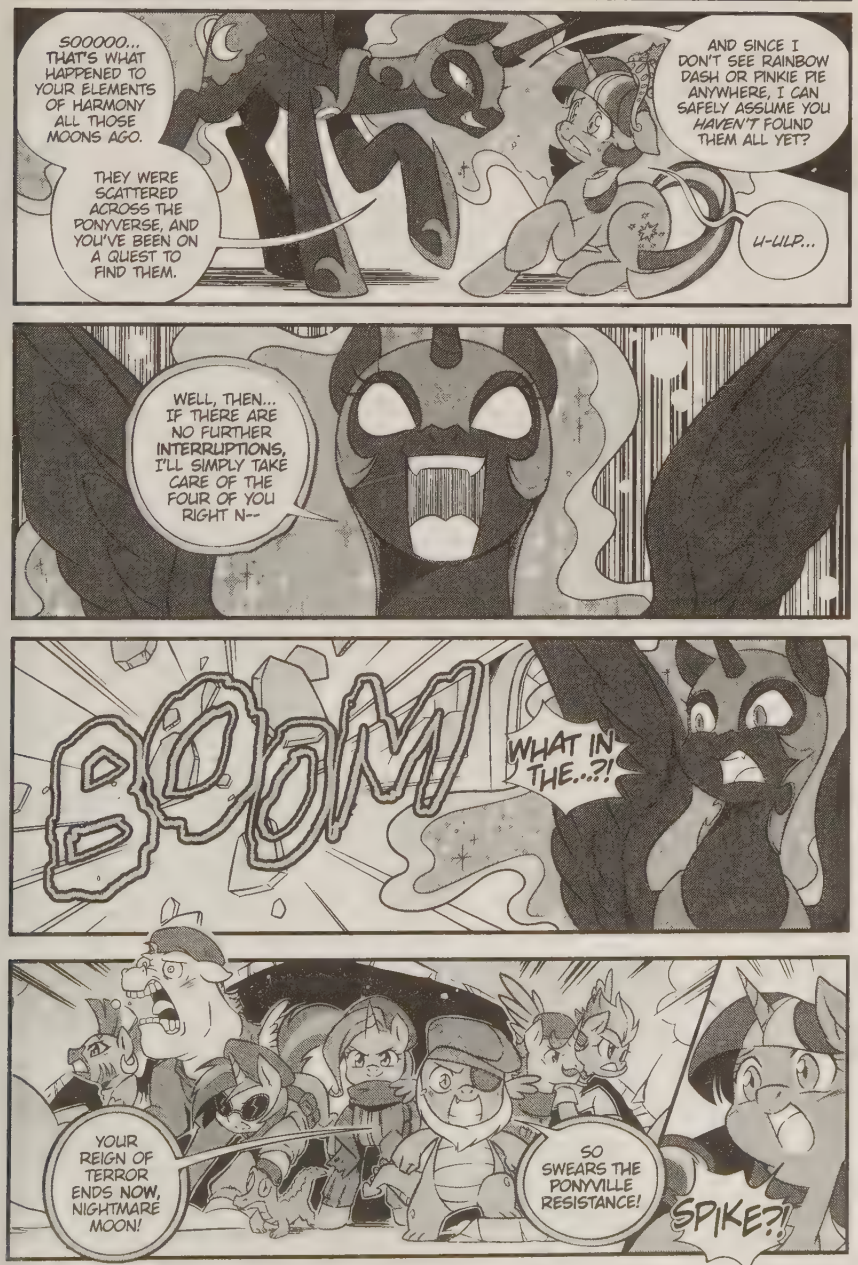

GIRLS! OHHH! IT'S SOOO GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN!
IT SURE IS GOOD TO SEE YA TOO, TWILIGHT!
I TAKE IT YOU ALL FOUND YOUR ELEMENTS OF HARMONY?
NEVER MIND THE ELEMENTS! WHAT COLORS ARE IN THIS SEASON?
IF YOU SAY NEON, I'LL SCREAM!
WHERE ARE FLUTTERSHY, RAINBOW DASH, AND PINKIE PIE?
WELL... THEY AREN'T BACK YET...
BUT THAT'S OKAY. WE CAN JUST HANG OUT IN THE RELIABLE STRANGER'S HIDEAWAY UNTIL THEY RETURN.
IN FACT, LET ME TAKE A QUICK LOOK OUTSIDE FOR THEM.
TWILIGHT, NO! THAT'S A...
FAKE WALL.
?!
THUD
!
YOU MADE YOUR HIDEOUT IN NIGHTMARE MOON'S THRONE ROOM?!
WELL, IT WAS THE LAST PLACE SHE WOULD EVER LOOK.
I'M STARTING TO THINK YOU AREN'T AS RELIABLE AS I THOUGHT!

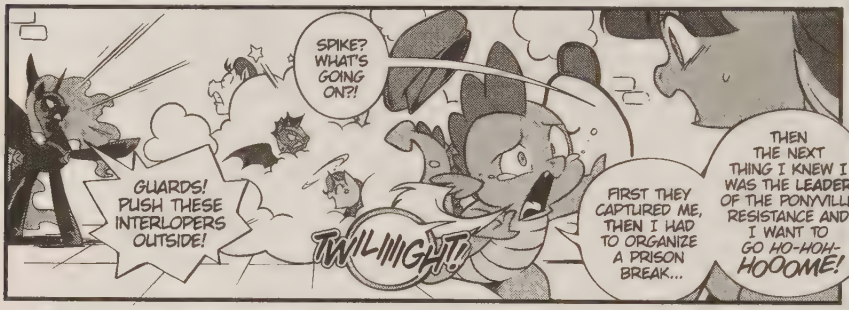
Stall's Well that Ends Well

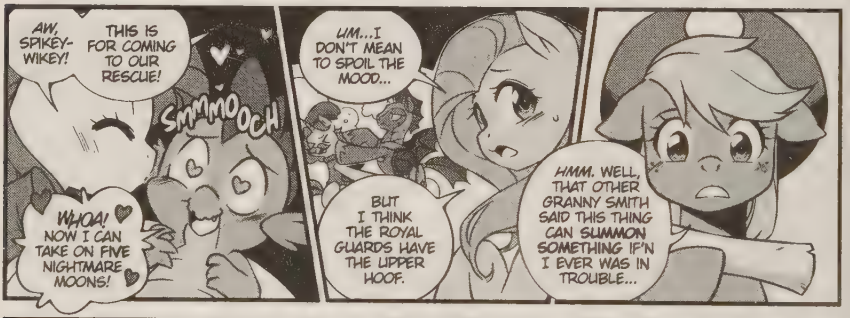

SCREEEECH
GRACIOUS, IT'S A DEAD END.
WHAT DO WE DO NOW, TWILIGHT?
WE... UM...WE... WE...
WE STALL FOR TIME!
H-HA! WE'VE GOT YOU NOW, NIGHTMARE MOON!
I BELIEVE YOU'LL FIND THAT'S MY LINE.
OR...OR SO YOU'D THINK... BUT...IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T NOTICED...
WE HAVE OUR ELEMENTS OF HARMONY BACK!
GASP!
THAT'S RIGHT! BACK OFF NICE AND SLOW...
YOU HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING WHAT THESE THINGS ARE CAPABLE OF!
POP
I WON'T GO OUT ON STAGE! I WON'T! I WON'T!!
WHUPM
OOF!
YOU'RE RIGHT... I WASN'T EXPECTING THAT AT ALL!

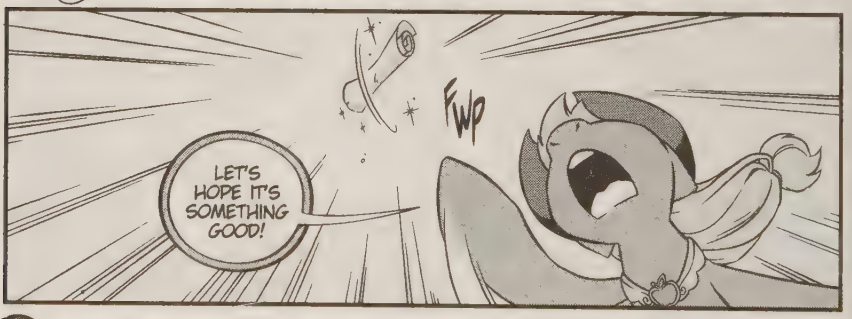
Stuttershy


OH, TWIIILIGHT! I'M SOOO GLAD TO BE BACK HOME!
THAT PONYVILLE IN THE OTHER DIMENSION WAS SOOO SCARY!
EVERYONE WAS SINGING ON STAGE-- IT WAS A NIGHTMARE!
FUH... FLUTTERSHY!
BUT NEVER MIND THAT! I GOT MY ELEMENT OF HARMONY BACK.
UM... NO, DON'T MENTION--
OH, GOOD! APPLEJACK AND RARITY HAVE RETURNED FROM THE PONYVERSE WITH THEIR ELEMENTS AS WELL.
AT THIS RATE, WE'LL HAVE THEM ALL BACK AND NIGHTMARE MOON WILL FINALLY BE DEFEATED.
FLUTTERSHY! SHH! SHHHHHH!
HUH? WHAT IS IT, TWILIGHT?
...
TUH-TWILIGHT... D-DON'T LOOK NOW, BUT...
I TH-TH-THINK NIGHTMARE MOON MAY BE STANDING BEHIND US...!
Y'DON'T SAY...


SOOOOO... THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR ELEMENTS OF HARMONY ALL THOSE MOONS AGO.
THEY WERE SCATTERED ACROSS THE PONYVERSE, AND YOU'VE BEEN ON A QUEST TO FIND THEM.
AND SINCE I DON'T SEE RAINBOW DASH OR PINKIE PIE ANYWHERE, I CAN SAFELY ASSUME YOU HAVEN'T FOUND THEM ALL YET?
U-ULP...
WELL, THEN... IF THERE ARE NO FURTHER INTERRUPTIONS, I'LL SIMPLY TAKE CARE OF THE FOUR OF YOU RIGHT N--
BOOM
WHAT IN THE...?!
YOUR REIGN OF TERROR ENDS NOW, NIGHTMARE MOON!
SO SWEARS THE PONYVILLE RESISTANCE!
SPIKE?!


GUARDS! PUSH THESE INTERLOPERS OUTSIDE!
SPIKE? WHAT'S GOING ON?!
TWILIIIGHT!
FIRST THEY CAPTURED ME, THEN I HAD TO ORGANIZE A PRISON BREAK...
THEN THE NEXT THING I KNEW I WAS THE LEADER OF THE PONYVILLE RESISTANCE AND I WANT TO GO HO-HOH-HOOOME!


AW, SPIKEY-WIKEY!
THIS IS FOR COMING TO OUR RESCUE!
SMMMOOCH
WHOA! NOW I CAN TAKE ON FIVE NIGHTMARE MOONS!
UM...I DON'T MEAN TO SPOIL THE MOOD...
BUT I THINK THE ROYAL GUARDS HAVE THE UPPER HOOF.
HMM. WELL, THAT OTHER GRANNY SMITH SAID THIS THING CAN SUMMON SOMETHING IF'N I EVER WAS IN TROUBLE...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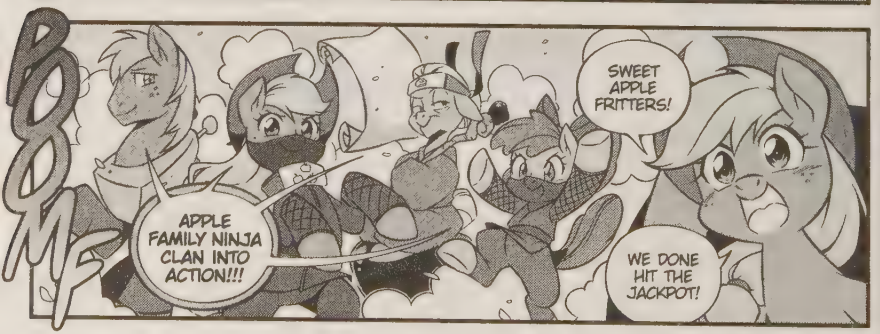
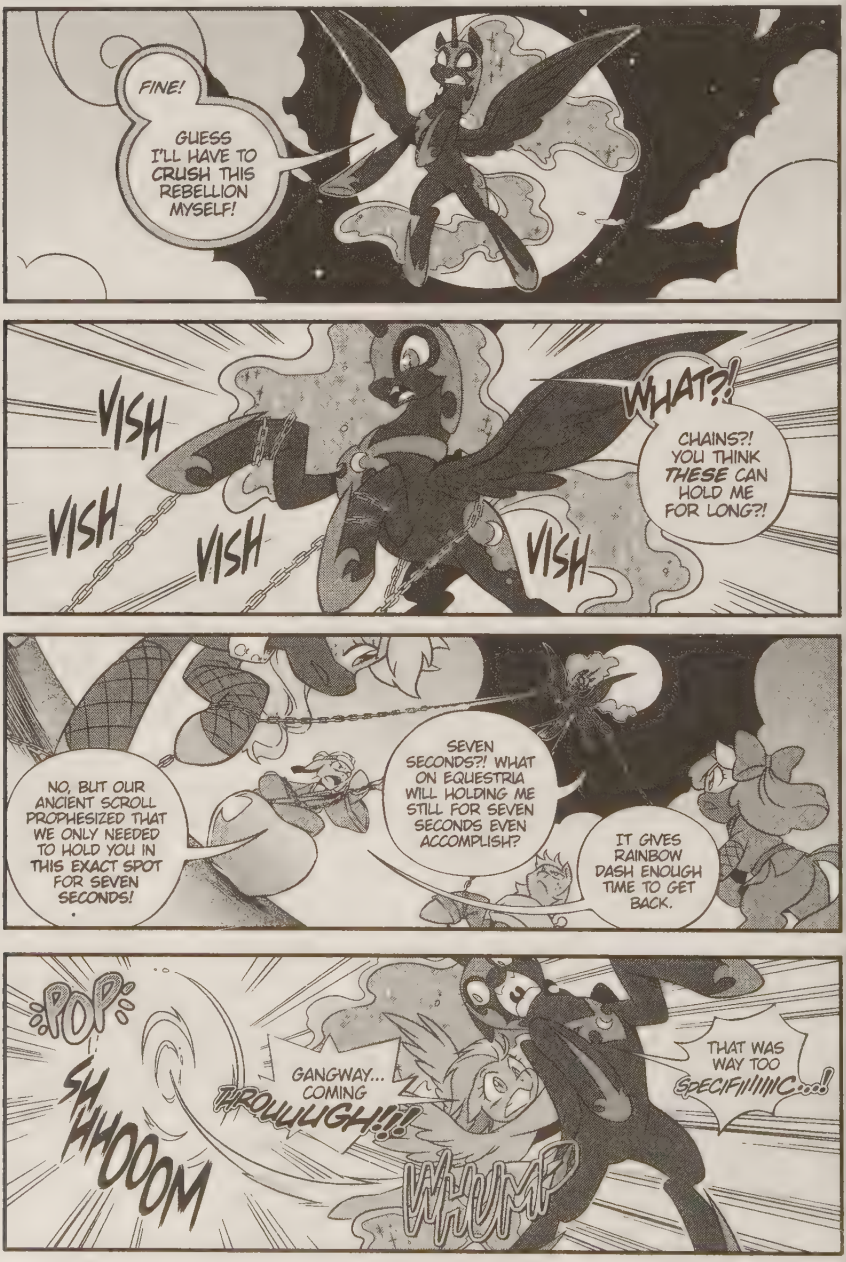
LET'S HOPE IT'S SOMETHING GOOD!


BOMF
APPLE FAMILY NINJA CLAN INTO ACTION!!!
SWEET APPLE FRITTERS!
WE DONE HIT THE JACKPOT!

Somethin' Buggin' Ya?

SORRY 'BOUT THE SURPRISE, APPLEJACK--ONE OF GRANNY'S SCROLLS TOLD HER YA'D NEED HELP IN THE FUTURE, SO SHE FIXED THINGS SO IT COULD SUMMON US!
WELL, I SURE AIN'T GONNA COMPLAIN ABOUT THOSE PROPHESIES BEING TOO SPECIFIC EVER AGAIN!
NINJAS? WHERE DID THEY GET *NINJAS?!*
RELEASE THE ROYAL BUGBEAR DETACHMENT!!!
YES, YOUR MIDNIGHTY-NESS!
SNARRLL...
OH... OH MY...
SHAKA SHAKA
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, FLUTTERSHY MADE FRIENDS WITH THE BUGBEARS AND THEY'VE TURNED ON MY TROOPS?!
D-DON'T PLAY *TOO* ROUGHLY, NOW...

Chain of Events


FINE!
GUESS I'LL HAVE TO CRUSH THIS REBELLION MYSELF!
VISH
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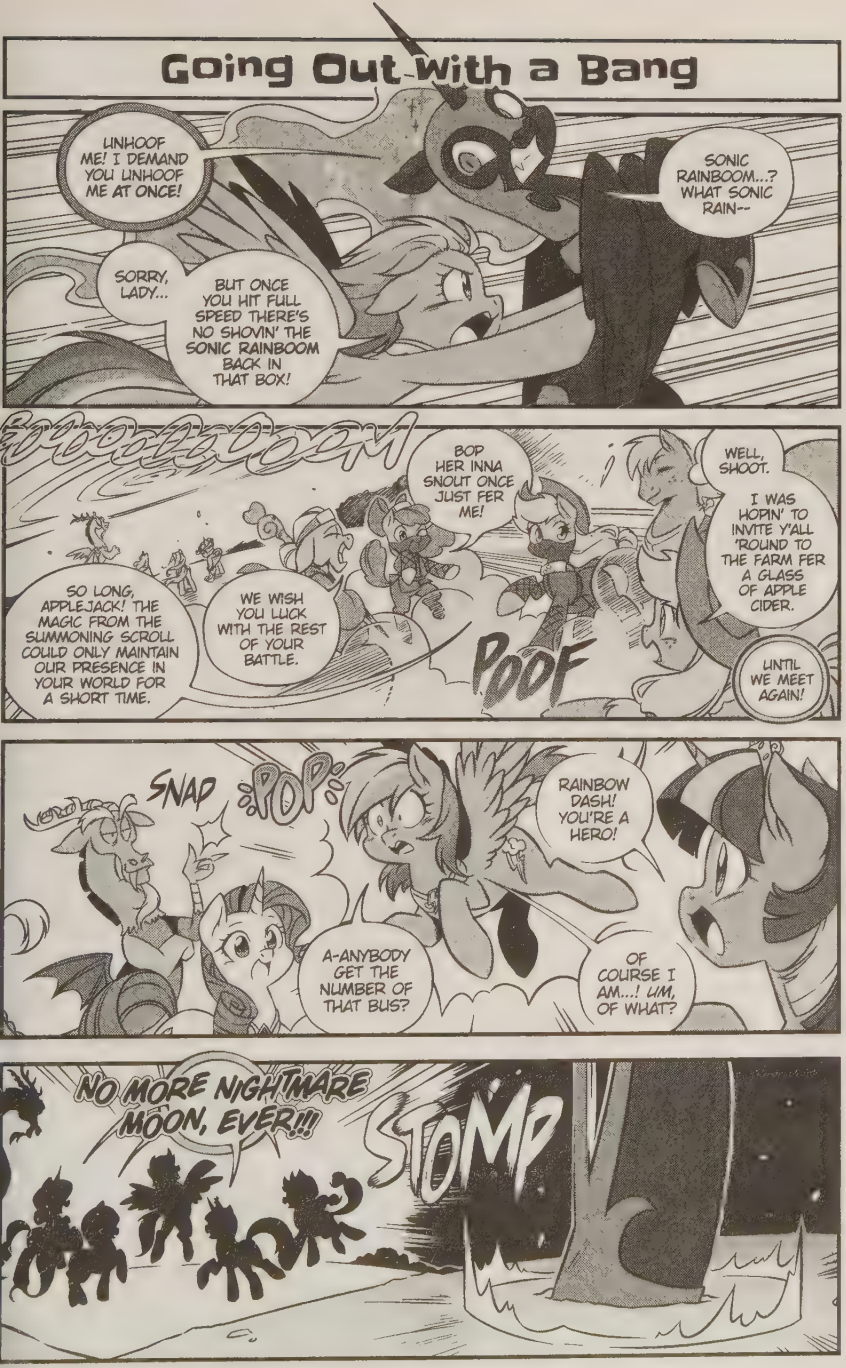
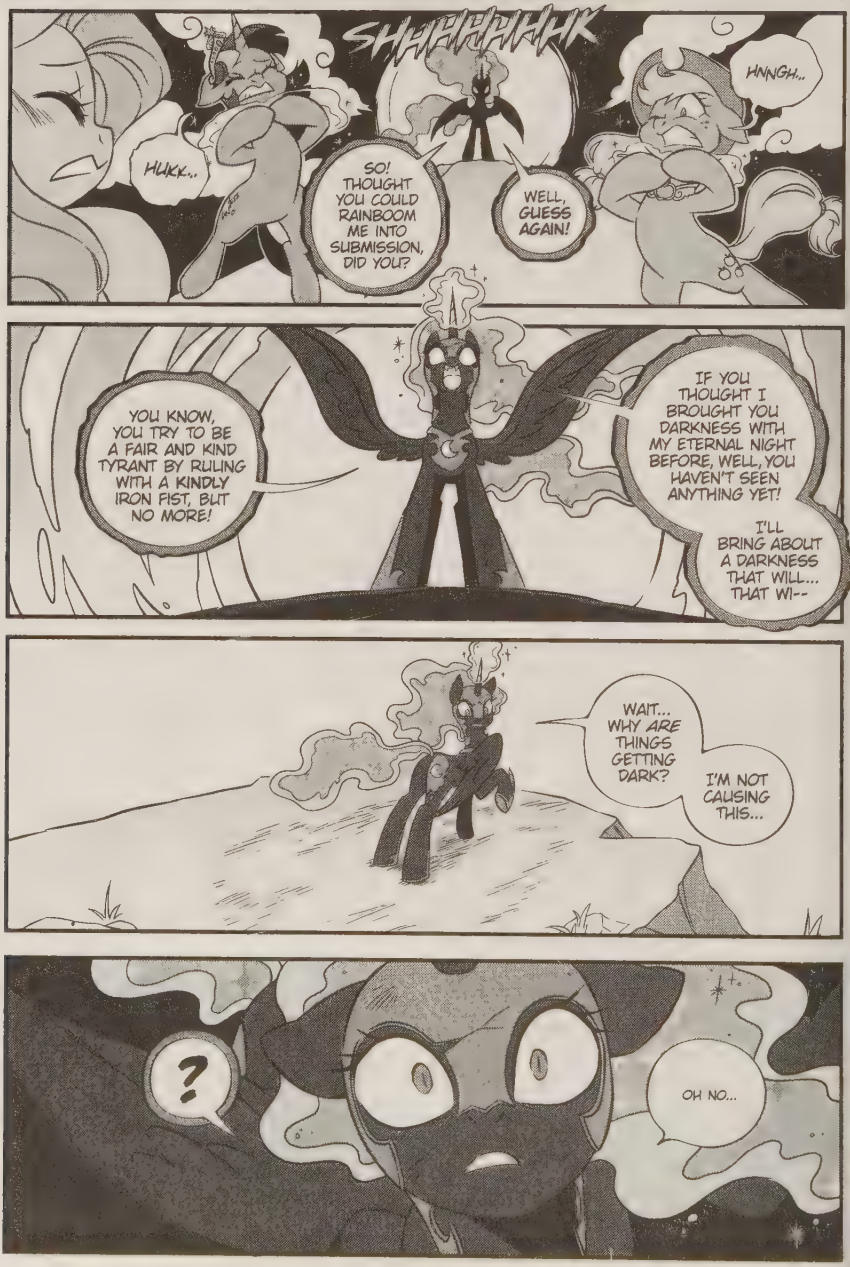
WHAT?!
CHAINS?! YOU THINK THESE CAN HOLD ME FOR LONG?!
NO, BUT OUR ANCIENT SCROLL PROPHESIZED THAT WE ONLY NEEDED TO HOLD YOU IN THIS EXACT SPOT FOR SEVEN SECONDS!
SEVEN SECONDS?! WHAT ON EQUESTRIA WILL HOLDING ME STILL FOR SEVEN SECONDS EVEN ACCOMPLISH?
IT GIVES RAINBOW DASH ENOUGH TIME TO GET BACK.
POP
SHHHOOOM
GANGWAY... COMING
THROUUUGH!!!
WHUMP
THAT WAS WAY TOO SPECIFIIIIIC...!

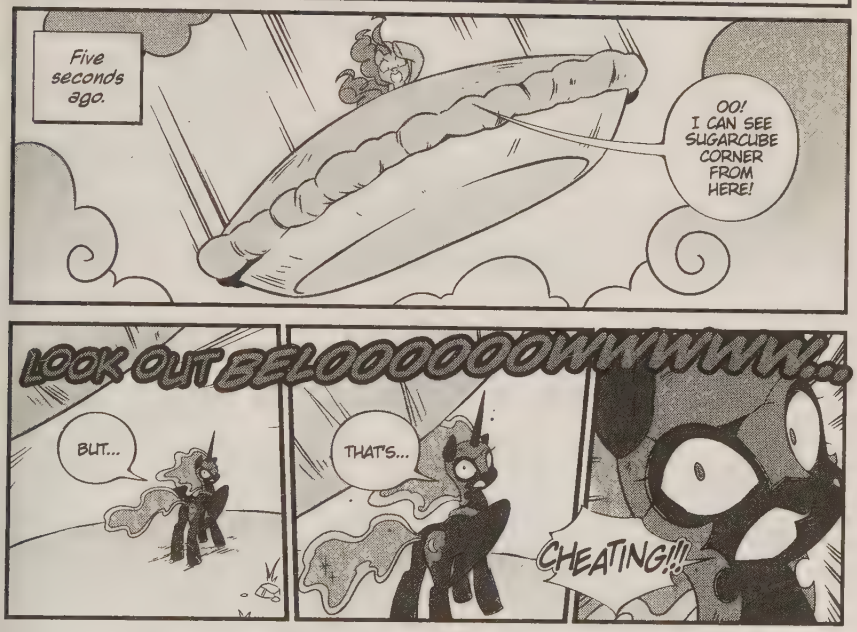
Going Out With a Bang


UNHOOF ME! I DEMAND YOU UNHOOF ME AT ONCE!
SONIC RAINBOOM...? WHAT SONIC RAIN--
SORRY, LADY...
BUT ONCE YOU HIT FULL SPEED THERE'S NO SHOVIN' THE SONIC RAINBOOM BACK IN THAT BOX!
BOP HER INNA SNOUT ONCE JUST FER ME!
WELL, SHOOT.
I WAS HOPIN' TO INVITE Y'ALL 'ROUND TO THE FARM FER A GLASS OF APPLE CIDER.
SO LONG, APPLEJACK! THE MAGIC FROM THE SUMMONING SCROLL COULD ONLY MAINTAIN OUR PRESENCE IN YOUR WORLD FOR A SHORT TIME.
WE WISH YOU LUCK WITH THE REST OF YOUR BATTLE.
POOF
UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN!
SNAP
POP
RAINBOW DASH! YOU'RE A HERO!
A-ANYBODY GET THE NUMBER OF THAT BUS?
OF COURSE I AM...! UM, OF WHAT?
NO MORE NIGHTMARE MOON, EVER!!!
STOMP

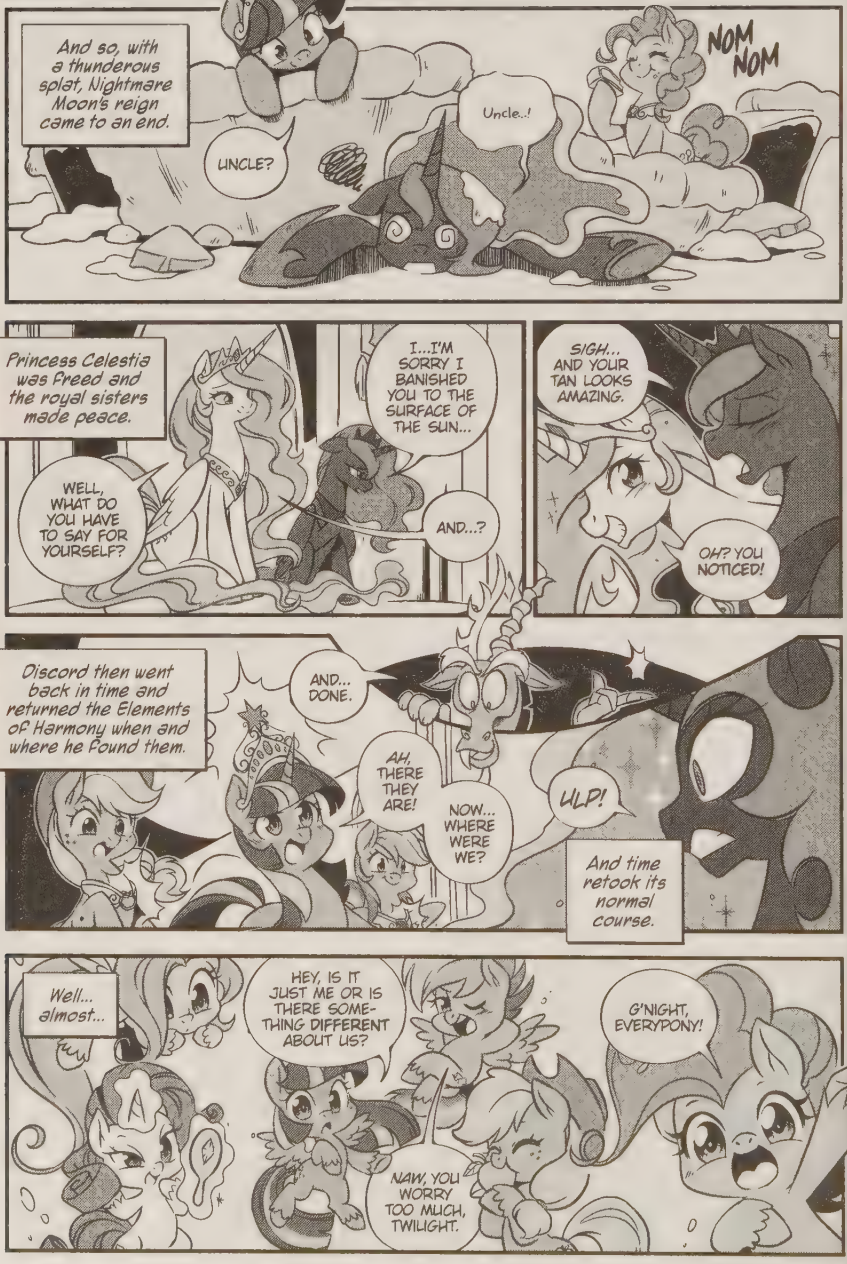
All Choked Up


SHHHHHHHK
HNNGH...
HUKK...
SO! THOUGHT YOU COULD RAINBOOM ME INTO SUBMISSION, DID YOU?
WELL, GUESS AGAIN!
YOU KNOW, YOU TRY TO BE A FAIR AND KIND TYRANT BY RULING WITH A KINDLY IRON FIST, BUT NO MORE!
IF YOU THOUGHT I BROUGHT YOU DARKNESS WITH MY ETERNAL NIGHT BEFORE, WELL, YOU HAVEN'T SEEN ANYTHING YET!
I'LL BRING ABOUT A DARKNESS THAT WILL... THAT WI--
WAIT... WHY ARE THINGS GETTING DARK?
I'M NOT CAUSING THIS...
?
OH NO...

Pie-tin Fall


Five seconds ago.
OO! I CAN SEE SUGARCUBE CORNER FROM HERE!
LOOK OUT BELOOOOOOW!!!!!!!...
BUT...
THAT'S...
CHEATING!!!
SPLAT
SNAP
POP
WHEEEE!! LET'S DO THAT AGAIIII!!!
...

Tiny Problem


And so, with a thunderous splat, Nightmare Moon's reign came to an end.
UNCLE?
Uncle..!
NOM NOM
Princess Celestia was freed and the royal sisters made peace.
WELL, WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO SAY FOR YOURSELF?
I...I'M SORRY I BANISHED YOU TO THE SURFACE OF THE SUN...
AND...?
SIGH... AND YOUR TAN LOOKS AMAZING.
OH? YOU NOTICED!
Discord then went back in time and returned the Elements of Harmony when and where he found them.
AND... DONE.
AH, THERE THEY ARE!
NOW... WHERE WERE WE?
ULP!
And time retook its normal course.
Well... almost...
HEY, IS IT JUST ME OR IS THERE SOMETHING DIFFERENT ABOUT US?
NAW, YOU WORRY TOO MUCH, TWILIGHT.
G'NIGHT, EVERYPONY!

CAKE BAKE

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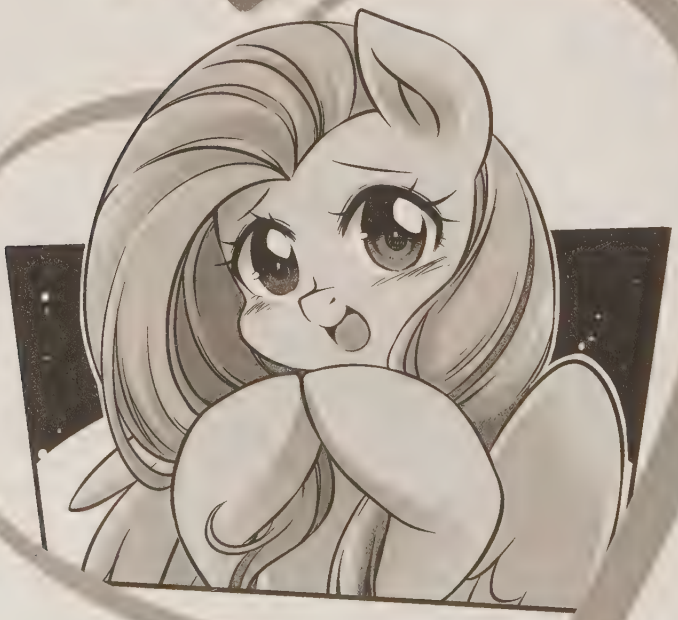

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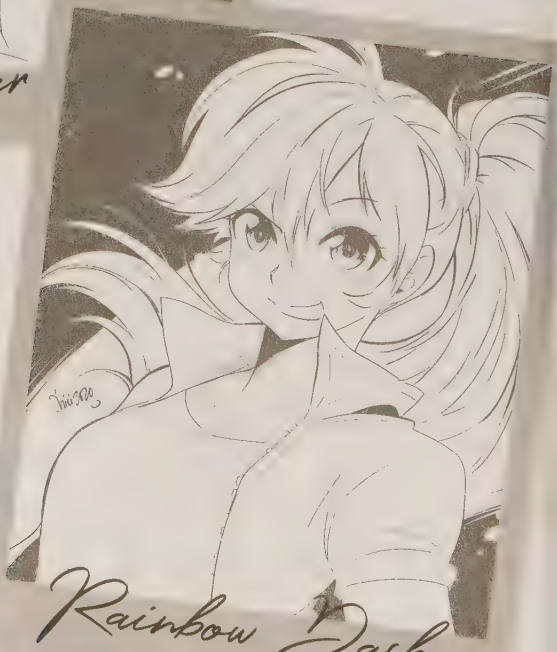

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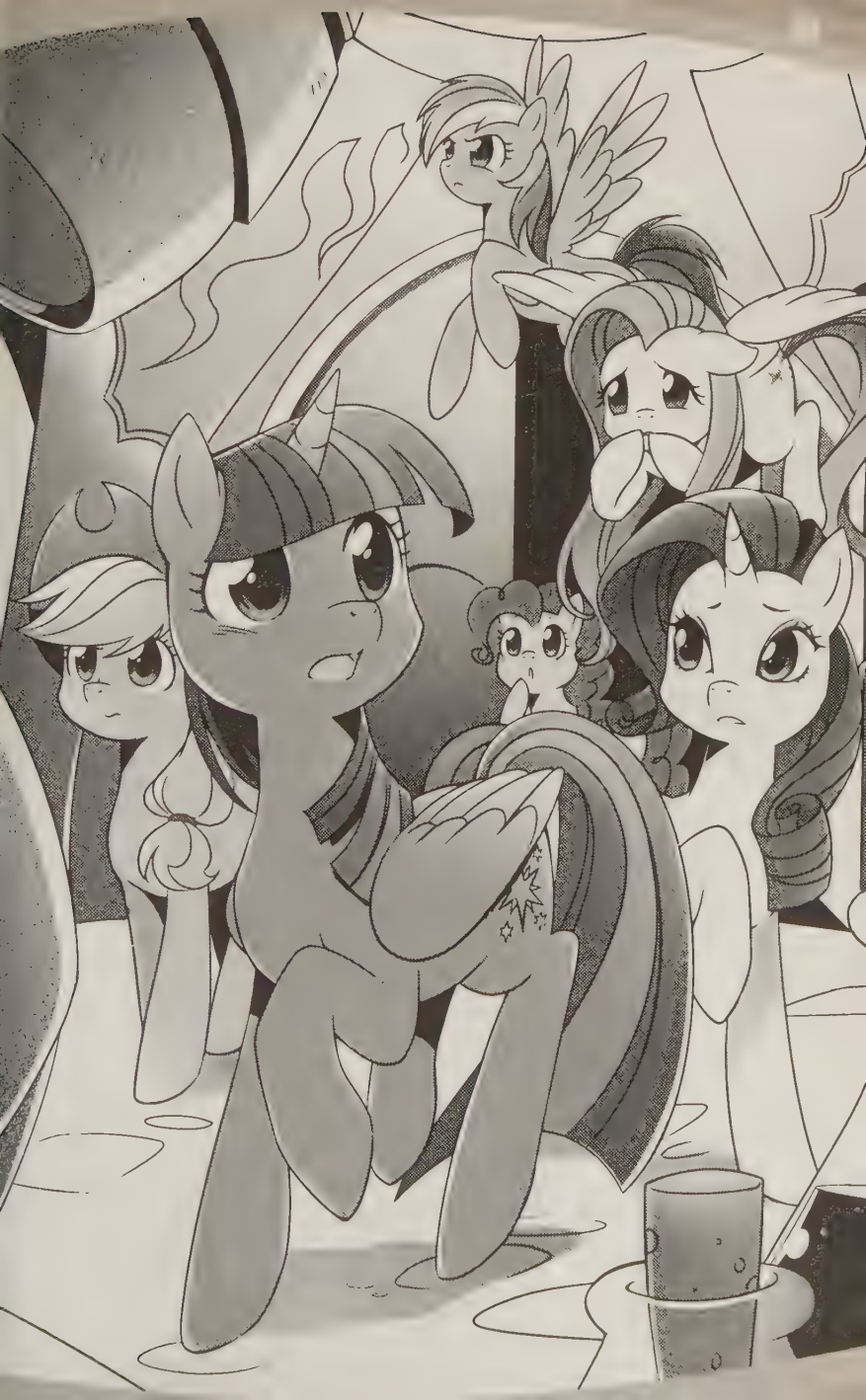

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